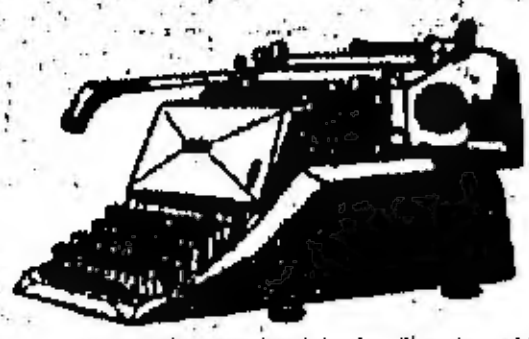


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SEASONAL LIMBO

WELL, here we are again. Poised, as it were, between two festivals, too late to say a "Merry Christmas," and too early to say a "Happy New Year." This then is a kind of seasonal limbo where we muse upon all that has passed during the year and look forward wondering at what is ahead.

Yet looking at it like that, there is one thing of which we can be sure. Taking the years as they come and go, things average out. In a strictly personal sense, some years are better than others. In some we run into misfortune quite undeserved, in others we get lucky breaks, equally undeserved, but as has been said, over the years we strike an average.

What kind of year has 1961 been? In a general sense, it has been a restless year for all of us. In the main, prosperity has continued, but there are still too many people not sharing in it. Then there have been uprisings and disturbances which have filled us with alarm and taken us almost to the brink of calamity, yet somehow we have avoided the worst.

SO this season of limbo, this pause between the festival of the old year and the new is not a bad time for spiritual stocktaking. Some looking back will recall a wonderful year, a year in which their dearest dreams came true. A year in which all the frustrations of former years were forgotten, a year in which the planning and struggling of the lean years were rewarded. For others it might have been a happy year, a year in which all the delightful things happened, a year to look back upon and say, "I was very happy then."

If that is so in your case, we congratulate you, and hasten to add that it be treasured as such, stored against a time when life tries to get tough with you. For some, it will be a year best forgotten. A year in which nothing seemed to go right. A year of sheer frustration, when all your efforts seemed without avail. If so, all that can be said are words which might seem trite at the moment, yet they are very true. Some years seem like that, yet the year ahead can be just the occasion when things will turn out all right.

BUT for most of us, it will have been just another year, a few pages torn off the calendar during which we plodded along. What can we do about it? Is it true that our fate lies not so much in the passage of time, but rather in the courage we bring to life and our determination to press on regardless.

So, within this short period of limbo, poised between the old and the new years, it might be worthwhile recalling the words used by the late King George VI as a worried world and Britain in particular, faced an unknown 1940. "And I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And he replied, 'Go into the darkness and put your hand in the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way.'"

Two deaths, 38 injuries in accidents over weekend HK's GRIM CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Body of a Briton found in shrubbery

The Christmas weekend was a grim one for Hongkong. Two men met their deaths, 55 traffic accidents injured 30 people—seven seriously—six children were hurt in a Kowloon explosion, a circus performer suffered injuries in a fall from a tightrope, and a man broke his leg in another mishap. The body of a British soldier was found in a ravine below his Tai Hang-road apartment by children playing there yesterday morning.

A Waterworks employee was drowned in the Shing Mun Reservoir, the New Territories, on Christmas Eve. The soldier, Cpl W. J. Mackenzie, 23, of 252 Signal Squadron, Royal Signals, Victoria Barracks, was found dead in some shrubbery near 154 Tai Hang-road at about 9:20 am yesterday. A Government spokesman said police do not suspect foul play.

The corporal lived with his wife and eight-month-old baby son at Apartment C-12, 154 Tai Hang-road, 11th floor. A yellow balloon was also found beside the body, which was clad in a white shirt and dark grey trousers.

The body was located in bush in a ravine more than 100 feet below the corporal's own flat. A post-mortem was being performed this morning at the Victoria Public Mortuary to find the nature of injuries and possible cause of death.

A local report said that children playing in the neighbourhood first discovered the body lying in the shrubbery. The corporal who has been in Hongkong for a little more than a year was married just about that long.

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Death toll: 70

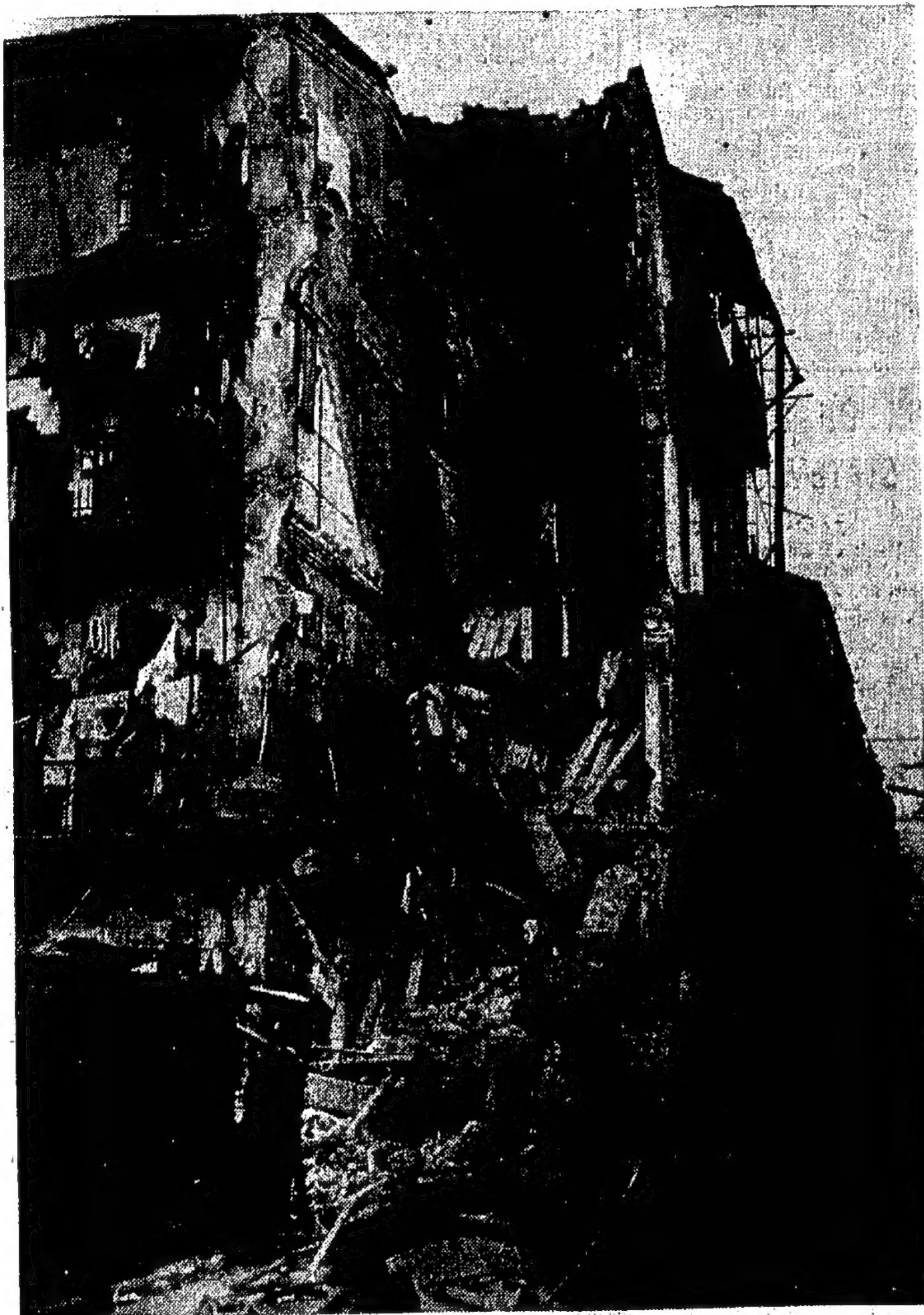
Rome, Dec. 28. The death toll as a result of a rail disaster near here last Saturday rose to 70 today when another victim died in hospital from injuries. The accident occurred when the last car in a crowded local train jumped the rails and plunged down a ravine into the Fiumarella River in the Calabris mountains.—AFP.

BOMB AT CHRISTMAS PARTY KILLS 53

A bomb exploding at a Christmas Eve party in a Colombia army barracks at Buga, 300 miles from Bogota, killed 53 people and injured 123, an official communiqué announced today.

Several children were among the dead. The blast occurred as troops and their guests were leaving the party. A communiqué from the President's press office here hinted that "foreign hands" might have been responsible for the explosion. The man who apparently planted the bomb, a civil employee of the barracks, was among those killed, police investigations indicated. —Reuters.

Cat saved 223 from death in this



Firemen and curious spectators inspect the rubble after the house collapse in Aberdeen on Christmas Day.—China Mail photographer.

A cat walking across the tiled roof of a 40-year-old Central district tenement building on Christmas Day saved the lives of 223 people.

The cat's walk sent down a shower of bricks and dust from the top of the old structure No. 44 Aberdeen-street. The occupants, alarmed by this, hurriedly evacuated the building.

At 4 pm the whole of the front of the house gave way and collapsed with a roar. A woman hawker, Leung Siu, 64, who stayed by her stall even after other street sellers had moved their wares further down the street, was slightly injured by a falling beam. She was taken to Queen Mary Hospital.

Registration of the homeless—47 families totalling 223 people—started immediately and they were given hot meals by the Social Welfare Department. The CARE also issued chopsticks, rice bowls and dishes to the homeless. After the collapse, adjoining houses were also evacuated. Firemen started excavating the debris following a report that a resident might have been buried. The work was abandoned when all occupants had been accounted for.

Cold kills 200

New Delhi, Dec. 28. An estimated 200 persons have died as a result of a cold wave in north India which entered its 10th day today without relief in sight. The lowest temperature recorded was 24.8 Fahrenheit on Sunday. Low all across the densely populated Upper Ganges Plain, have been only a few degrees higher.—AP.

BRITISH TROOPS ON THE ALERT

London, Dec. 26. The Defence Ministry announced tonight that it has put 300 servicemen, mostly crews of transport aircraft, on a standby alert in view of increased tension in the Middle East.

A Ministry statement said: "During the past 24 hours, our threat that the Christmas period might be used to increase tension has been partially confirmed as far as the Middle East is concerned. Although operations are not thought to be imminent, certain small-scale precautionary measures have again had to be taken."

Specific

The statement did not say in what specific area the tension has risen. But authoritative sources said Britain is worried by Iraqi Premier Abdel Karim Kassim's renewed threats to annex Kuwait.

There were reports recently that Iraqi troops were preparing to move against Kuwait while the British forces are eating their Christmas pudding."

Air-sea search futile, but tug returns to Hongkong

A distress signal from the 400-ton Panamanian tug, Inglis, adrift 200 miles south of Hongkong with a useless engine, launched a massive air-sea search for her on Christmas Day.

The ships and aircraft failed to find any trace of the tug, but she suddenly returned to the Colony under her own steam last night.

The tug sent out a radio message at 10 am on Monday, three days after she had left Hongkong for Sorong, West New Guinea, saying that her engine had broken down and that she was adrift.

Raced

Five merchant ships, including the Italian liner, mv Victoria, picked up the message, turned off their courses and raced to the rescue.

They found no trace of her. The mv Victoria was four hours late in entering harbour because of the search. In addition to the five ships, the Royal Navy here also sent out the frigate, HMS Chichester. An RAF Shackleton bomber flew to the search area from Singapore.

The search was called off in the afternoon. Three hours later, the Inglis radioed Hongkong that she was returning with all 23 members of her crew safely on board. She arrived last night and anchored at Junk Bay. She entered harbour this morning after immigration formalities. Another ship, the Hongkong-licensed trading junk, Hattai, is believed to have been sunk after she sprung a leak about 180 miles northeast of Hongkong.

The 13 members of her crew have abandoned the vessel and were picked up by the Swedish vessel, Milos, which is expected to arrive this morning.

Meanwhile, the Hongkong Marine Department has sent out a warning to all shipping in the area that the abandoned vessel is a danger to navigation.

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UAR, YEMEN TO END UNION

Cairo, Dec. 26. An official statement ending the Federation of Arab States which links the United Arab Republic with the Kingdom of the Yemen is expected to be published here shortly, the authoritative Cairo newspaper, Al-Ahram, reported today. The Federation was established in March 1958, five weeks after the union of Egypt and Syria to form the UAR. Its 32-article charter provided for a unified foreign policy and union of the armed forces. Syria broke away from the UAR last September.—Reuters.

New York, Dec. 28. A Christmas Day fire destroyed a complete business block of buildings in Whitehorse, Yukon yesterday forcing some 50 people out into 45 below zero weather. Damage is estimated close to \$1,000,000.—UPI.

BABY GIRL FOUND OUTSIDE CHURCH

A 20-day-old baby girl was found outside St Theresa's Church shortly after midnight on Christmas Eve.

The child, found by a priest whose attention was attracted by her crying, was taken to Kwong Wah Hospital while the authorities try to locate her parents.

The infant was bundled up in a cotton jacket and placed on the pavement. There was no note or identification. The police, on information from the priest, took custody of the baby and later sent her to the hospital.

First Hongkong Fund: \$1.11 (buyer) \$1.23 (seller).
Second Hongkong Fund: 9 cents (buyer) 97 cents (seller).

THREE LAOTIAN PRINCES TO HOLD TALKS

NEWS IN BRIEF—DEC. 26

Shotgun explodes in Franco's hands

Madrid — General Francisco Franco broke all the bones in his left hand when a shotgun exploded in his hands on Sunday.



General Franco

A Spanish Interior Ministry spokesman said the accident occurred while General Franco was hunting on the grounds of his home outside Madrid. Government officials said he will have his hand bandaged and his arm in a sling for "some days."—UPI.

Peace Corps

Washington, — Mr. Sargent Shriver, Director of the U.S. Peace Corps, said in a television interview on Sunday that the Corps has received requests from foreign governments to send 15,000 Peace Corpsmen abroad.

The Corps has only been able to send 500 so far, he said. He said by next year he wants to have 2,300 corpsmen in service.—UPI.

'Just love'

Calif. — When reporters asked Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower today what she gave her husband for Christmas, she responded: "Just my love."

Asked what the former President gave her, she said: "He gave me the same."—UPI.

Launch tragedy

Manila, — Thirteen persons, including children, were confirmed today to have died when a ferry launch carrying holiday passengers capsized and sank in Pangasinan Bay in Southern Philippines last Saturday.—UPI.

Free of mines

Panaji — The Indian Navy has declared Goa's main port of Mormugao free of mines and normal activity was expected to begin immediately.

A Navy announcement said mines which the Portuguese placed were swept from the harbour.—AP.

Death line

Los Angeles, — An out-of-control automobile struck two parked cars near a downtown intersection and then crashed into a line of men waiting for Christmas dinner at a rescue mission.

Two men were killed instantly and 14 others injured.—UPI.

Prison mutiny

Rio de Janeiro, — Rebellious prisoners barricaded themselves in a cell block today during a prison mutiny in which a convict and a guard were killed and at least 20 wounded.—UPI.

Duchess of Kent expecting child

London, Dec. 26. The Duchess of Kent, the Yorkshire lass who married the 26-year-old Duke of Kent last June, is expecting a child next summer, it was announced today.

A family spokesman at their Buckinghamshire home said the former Miss Katharine Worsley, 25, was being attended by Sir John Peel, the royal obstetrician who was in charge of the birth

KENNEDY VISITS FATHER

Palm Beach, Dec. 26. President Kennedy spent a half hour here in Florida today at the sickbed of his father Mr. Joseph Kennedy whose condition remained unchanged.

The President was to undergo a medical examination himself this afternoon, it was learned here. Informal sources said the check-up was "routine" and would not check the effects of an accident President Kennedy had last summer when he planted a symbolic tree in Canada.

Dr. Preston Wade has arrived here from New York specially to give the President the medical examination.—AP.

Eichmann's Christmas

Turkey dinner, but no service

Jerusalem, Dec. 26. Adolf Eichmann refused an offer of a special Christmas service to be held for him by a clergyman in his death cell in Ramleth Prison near Tel Aviv, it was learned here today.

His attitude was in line with his statement before the court that though believing in God he was not connected with any existing religion.

He took part in a special Christmas dinner with traditional turkey which was prepared for a number of other non-Jewish prisoners—mostly Arabs of the Christian faith—who are in Ramleth jail together with Jewish prisoners.

His mail from abroad included a number of Christmas cards.

During the holidays he stopped work on his memoirs, it was reported.—AP.

Last chance for a settlement

Vientiane, Dec. 26.

Talks between the three Laotian leaders, due to start here tomorrow, may be the last chance of political settlement for Laos, according to observers here.

The three leaders — Prince Boun Oum, right wing Premier, Prince Souvanna Phouma, the neutralist leader and his half-brother Prince Souphanouvong, pro-Communist — have been urged by the 14-power conference in Geneva to form a coalition government quickly and to send a delegation to the Geneva talks.

Prince Souvanna and his half-brother are due here by air tomorrow. They have each been allotted four limousines and a villa surrounded by corrugated iron to guard against snipers and curious onlookers.

Troops will guard the building where the three will meet with advisers who include the right-wing vice-premier, General Phoumi Nosavan.

URGENCY

Tomorrow's talks are the outcome of three months hard work by British, American, French and Russian diplomats. They varied from gentle persuasion to hard pressure in efforts to get the three dissident factions together.

Delegates to the Geneva conference attach the greatest urgency to a united Laotian team attending the Geneva talks now that they have reached agreement on nearly all international aspects of the problem of making and keeping Laos neutral. They say the few outstanding major issues can only be settled with the agreement of such a delegation.

The Geneva conference is due to meet again on January 3 and it is hoped the Laotian delegation will be there by then.—Reuter.

Empire State Building to be sold

New York, Dec. 26. The Empire State Building, tallest skyscraper in the world, changes hands for \$65 million (about £23,200,000), tomorrow in one of the largest and most complex property deals in history.

The Prudential Insurance Company will pay \$29 million for the title to the 102-story building, leasing rights valued at \$36 million will go to Mr. Lawrence Wien, New York lawyer and real estate operator who conceived the transaction.

Mr. Wien, Colonel Henry Crown, a Chicago financier and present owner of the building and Mr. Louis Menagh, President of Prudential, will complete the deal in Newark, New Jersey.

The contract is 400 pages long and the signing is expected to take about five hours.—Reuter.



Juan Peron

Peron marries former secretary, 28

Madrid, Dec. 26. Former Argentine dictator Juan Peron has married his 28-year-old secretary, Isabelle Martinez here it was learned today.

Peron, whose exact age is uncertain, is more than 60 years old. The marriage, increasingly rumoured in recent weeks, was revealed by the end of the year greeting cards, Peron said.

They were signed "Peron and Isabelle Martinez de Peron." The exact date of what was believed to be a very intimate wedding was not known but probably took place sometime this month.

The couple became acquainted in Panama in 1956. After this Miss Martinez followed Peron to Venezuela, then Santo Domingo and finally Spain where he has lived in exile since January 1960.

It was the former dictator's third marriage. His first two wives died.—AP.

Brazilian general relieved

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 26. An Army general who sent 200 soldiers to wreck the editorial offices of a weekly magazine which had "insulted" him, was relieved of his command today.

War Minister Joao Segadas Viana relieved Joao Segadas Viana of command of the fourth infantry division stationed in Belo Horizonte.

Gen. Bley received a black eye in a brief scuffle with editor Jose Maria Rabelo of the magazine *Bimbo* after the latter refused to reveal the name of the author of an article which the general considered insulting.—UPI.

ON TOP OF ANCIENT CHURCH

Greek, Roman Catholic priests stage battle

Bethlehem, Dec. 25. Greek Catholic priests and Roman Catholic Franciscan Officials staged a brief battle with wine and beer bottles on top of the ancient Church of the Nativity yesterday as Western Christians began Christmas ceremonies honouring the birth of Christ here in Jordan.

Angry spectators, watching the battle from another section of the roof a few yards away, shouted to the priests to stop the fight in which empty bottles smashed against the stone church's outside walls and roof.

But the fight ended only after blue-uniformed Jordanian police intervened.

The trouble began as Roman Catholic Patriarch Msgr. Alberto Gori led a solemn procession through the church's outer front courtyard towards the single low entrance.

He was due to enter the main basilica of the church, which is the site of the birth of Christ, in a black robe, as he appeared on top of the wall at one end of the church roof and there an empty bottle was to be held.

Franciscans on another roof below.

Within the church other Greek priests protested that the Latin Patriarch was a half hour late entering the church.

Two or three empty bottles went over the roof's edge and smashed into the stone courtyard in front of the church where several hundred Christian tourist pilgrims had gathered to watch the ceremony.

Rigid rules

The famed church is owned jointly by the Latin, Greek and Armenian Catholic churches. Rigid rules have been laid down over the centuries spelling out each church's prerogative regarding time and place for separate ceremonies or services.

Cold weather grips Europe, northern U.S.

London, Dec. 26. Icy weather gripped Northern Europe and Scandinavia today, but some Mediterranean countries had a wet Christmas and Boxing Day.

The northern half of the United States had thick snow—and even in Florida, the "sunshine state," temperatures dropped to 23 degrees.

Britain began warming up after its second coldest Christmas day of this century. Scattered rains in northern England and Scotland had a White Christmas.

Sweden was snowbound today, and colder weather is expected there. The temperature in Stockholm was 18 degrees Fahrenheit.

Most of East Germany had a white Christmas. West Germany had little snow, but widespread frost and sunshine. Skiing was possible in parts of the Harz and Sauerland mountains and in some alpine areas.

After a cold and sunny Christmas Day, snow fell over most of Denmark during the night with temperatures around freezing point. Ice has begun forming in rivers and around the coast.

Icy weather gripped Northern France but skiers waited in vain for snow in the South and the Alps. Rain was reported at some winter sports resorts and mild weather is reported to be heading north slowly.

RAIN IN SPAIN

Rain, sometimes torrential, fell in Lisbon yesterday. There was occasional rain today, with overcast skies, and temperatures during the past 24 hours varied between 60 degrees Fahrenheit and 60 degrees.

Torrential rain also fell in most parts of Spain. In Pontevedra Province, northwest Spain, violent gales sank light-vessels in the ports of Pontevedra, Vigo and Villagarcia. Temperatures now ranged between 59 degrees Fahrenheit in the east to 33 degrees Fahrenheit in central Spain.

On the West Coast of the United States dense fog covered large areas of Southern California, cutting some airline flights and reducing visibility outside Los Angeles to a few feet.

In Brussels, a woman froze to death in her flat as Belgium's cold wave continued. Temperatures in the capital reached 13 degrees the lowest this winter.—Reuter.

MICHAEL'S ART COLLECTION

Holland, Dec. 27. The primitive art collection made by Mr. Michael Rockefeller, before he was lost off the south coast last month, has arrived in this West New Guinea administrative capital.

Mr. Rockefeller has not been found despite a mass air-sea-ground search in which his father, New York Governor Nelson Rockefeller, took part.

The art collection, bought from native villagers of the Asmat region for tobacco and axes, will be sent on to the Museum of Primitive Art, New York, and the Peabody Museum, Boston.

Some items will be retained in Holland for a museum to be established here with the aid of a \$20,000 grant from Governor Rockefeller.—China Mail Special.



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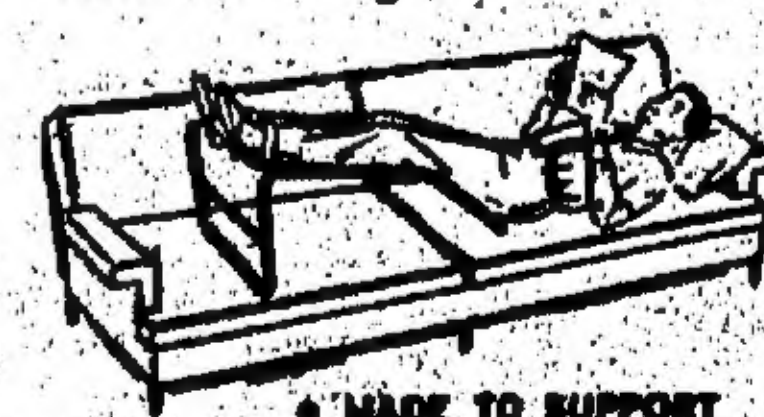
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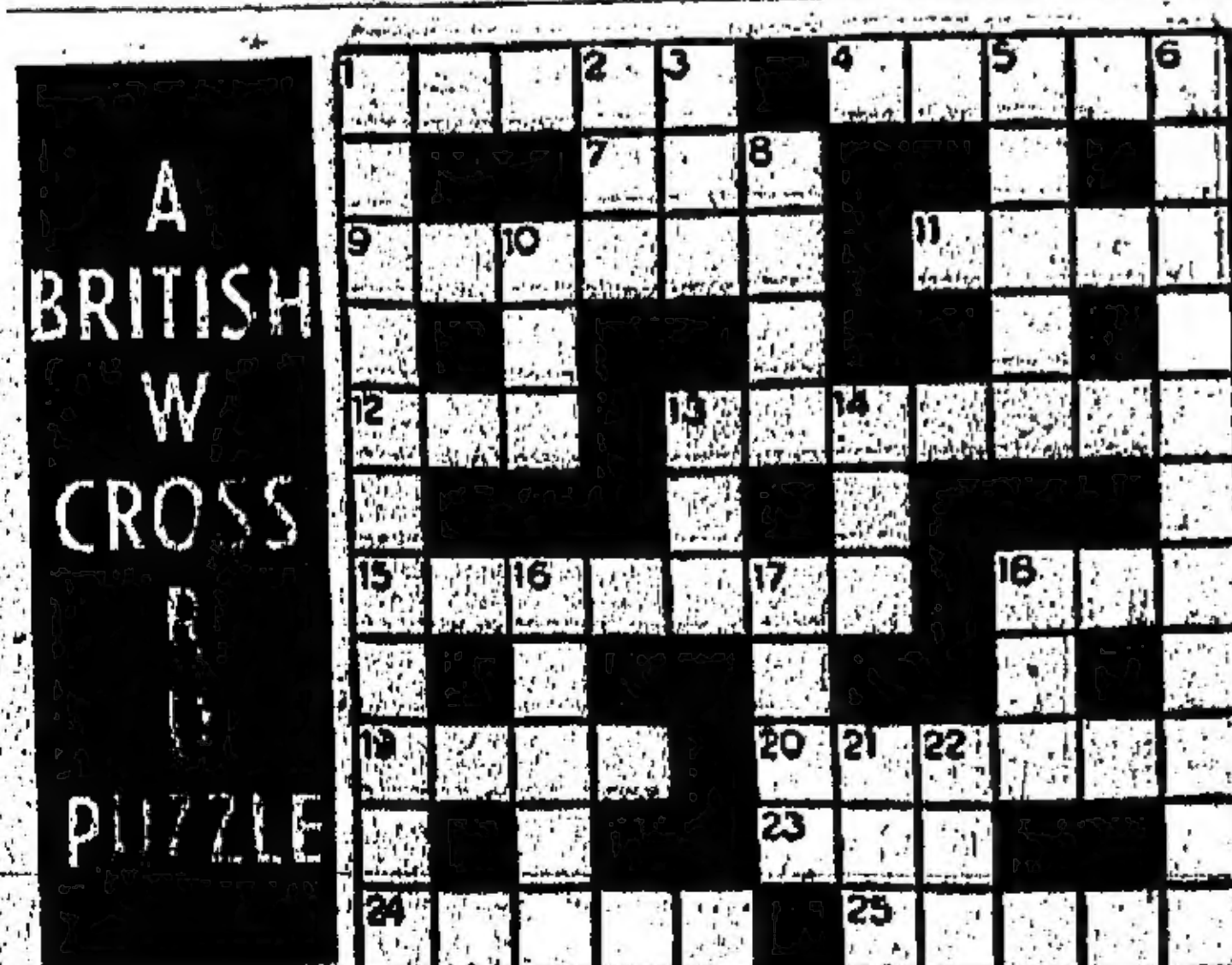
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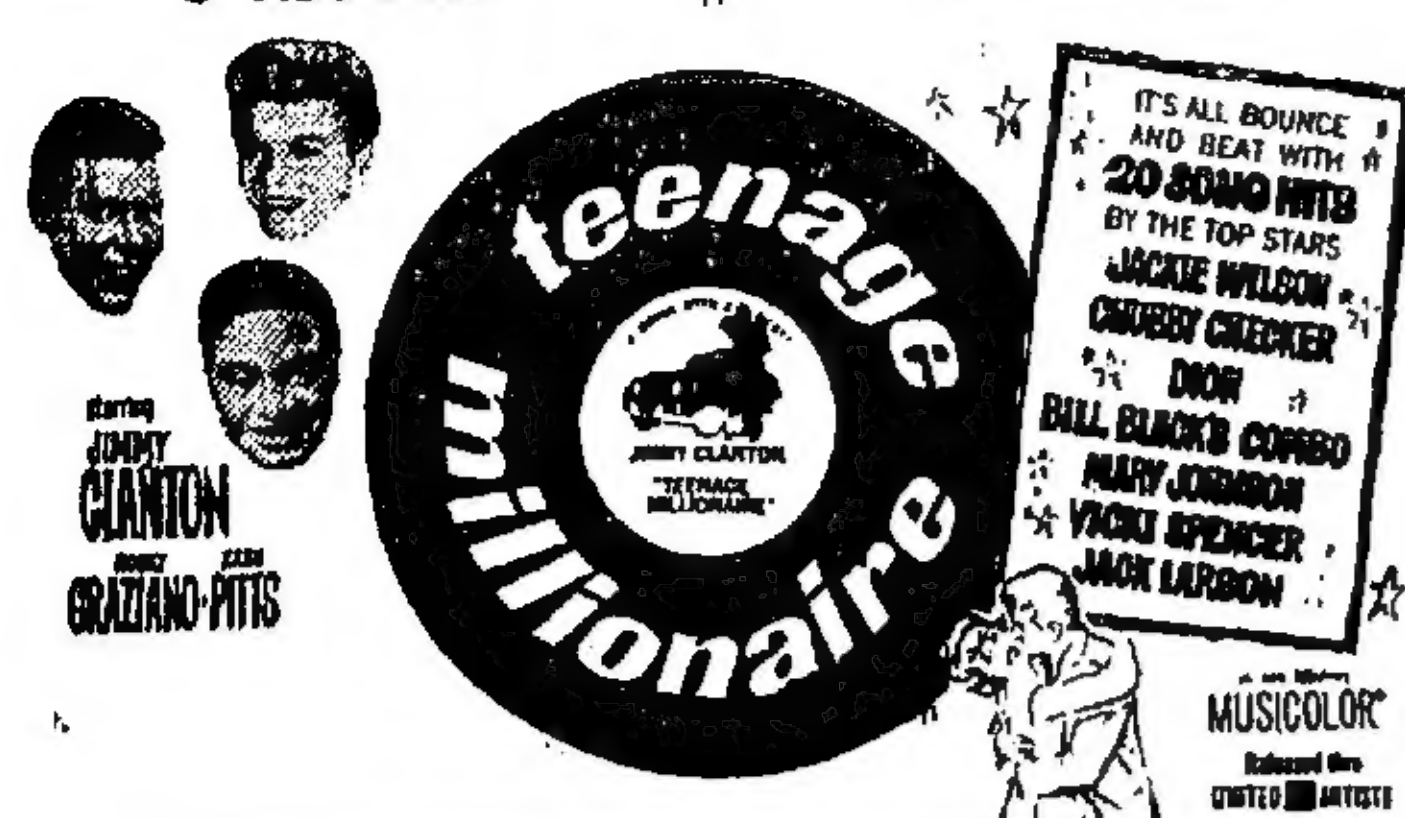


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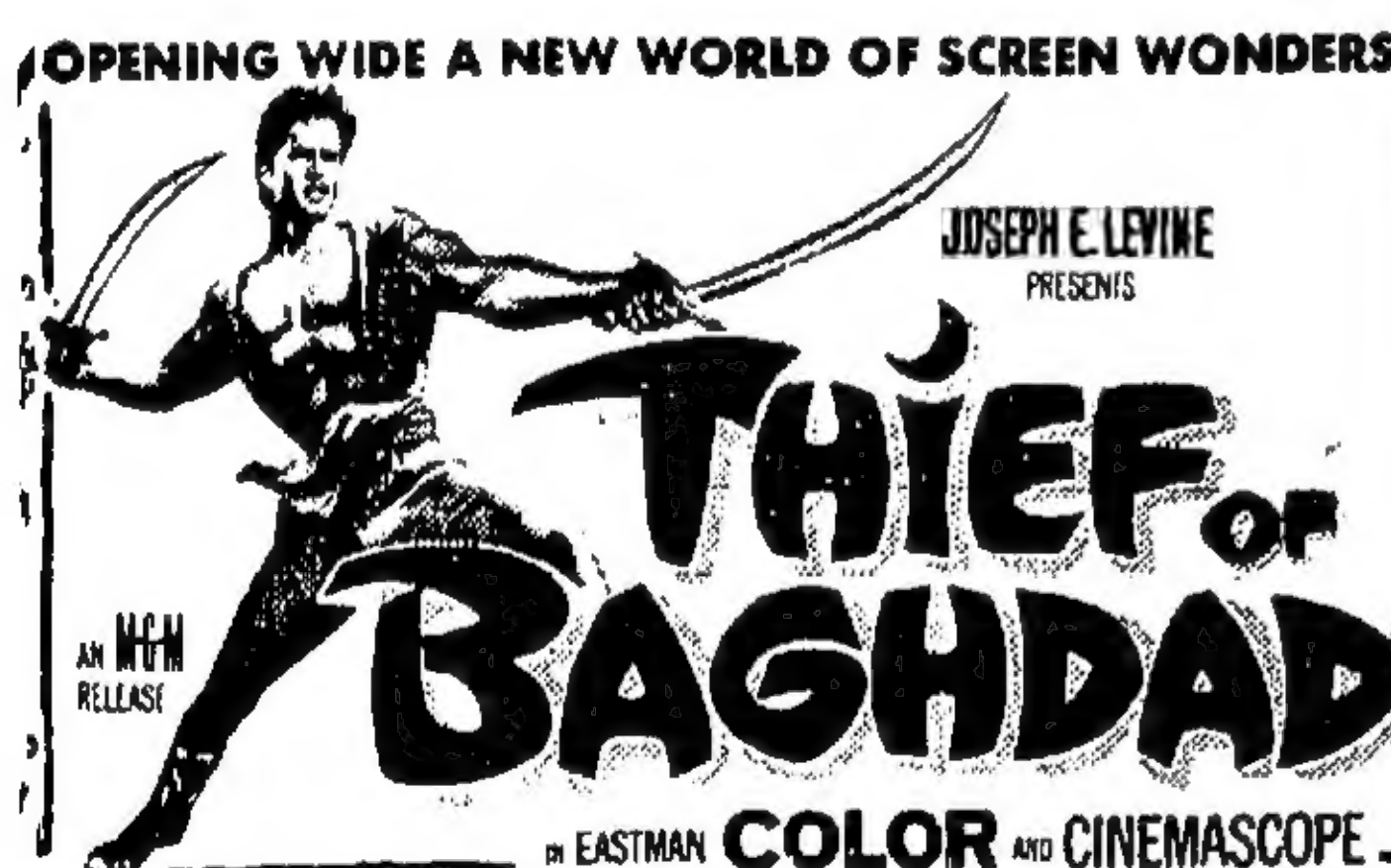
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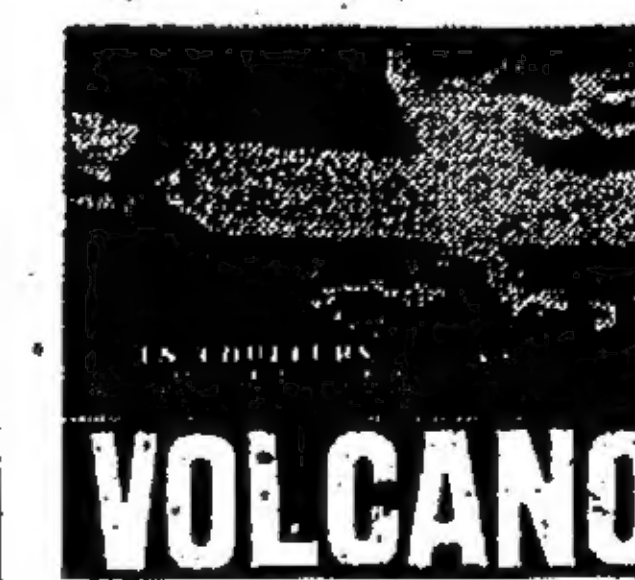
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'I WILL MAKE IT MINE —OR I'LL WRECK IT'

I HAVE just been standing on one of the few armed frontiers left on British territory. A frontier that has often been the subject of bitter controversy in the past 257 years.

It is the frontier between Gibraltar and Spain.

While the frontier of the world has been closed on other fronts, this has continued to be an uneasy border. British troops keep guard 24 hours a day.

The Spanish restrictions on the frontier are seen here as a direct attempt to stifle the economy of Gibraltar, to which Spain lays claim. And to Gibraltarians, who are possibly the most pro-British of all people living on British territory, it seems that Britain is not giving them anything like enough support.

Union Jack

Spotlights were perched above the 8ft-high barbed wire, which stretches across the narrow isthmus connecting the Rock of Gibraltar to Spain. A Union Jack fluttered above the guard post.

Only a few feet away the grey-uniformed Spanish frontier police stood guard. Beyond them the road stretched away across the marshy land to La Línea and the Spanish hinterland.

Since 1954, when the Queen visited Gibraltar and there were anti-British riots in Madrid and Barcelona, Spain has imposed restrictions on this wretchedly unhappy frontier that must be almost unprecedented between

THAT IS FRANCO'S AIM SAY PEOPLE OF GIBRALTAR

by
BRIAN GARDNER

two nations which are meant to be friendly and at peace.

The Spanish Consulate in Gibraltar is still closed. But more serious is the fact that Spanish nationals are not allowed into Gibraltar without permits which are practically impossible to get.

Normally there would be over 200,000 coming into Gibraltar every year, spending in the cheap but excellent shops and hotels.

Obsession

Russia is the only other country with which Spain has such a reputation. There is no doubt that the reason for it is to prevent Gibraltar from advancing economically.

For over the years it has become clear that Franco has an obsession about Gibraltar. If he cannot get it he intends to ruin it.

Franco realises that the days of Gibraltar's strategic value are numbered. In future the Colony must rely on import-export trade, and on tourism especially.

The only Spaniards who are allowed to come in are those who had "work permits" before 1954.

They come streaming through every morning, 10,000 of them, and out again at night. They provide about half of Gibraltar's working force. (The total civilian population is 25,000.)

For the past seven years Gibraltarians have had to live

In fear that any day that labour force might be stopped.

Customs control has, however, eased recently. Whereas not long ago it could take three hours to pass through, now it takes only a few minutes. This seems to be a measure more of the local authorities than of Madrid. They got tired of the deliberate slow-down, and the long queues of cars.

Their hope

For the truth is, as I have constantly been told here, that Spanish people, near by have little or no interest in Franco's claims on Gibraltar.

I drove through the frontier to the nearest large Spanish town of Algeciras, to check on this myself.

Nobody was anxious to speak against the Franco line in Algeciras, but it was quite plain that they hoped that the situation at the frontier would improve.

I know what lay behind this wish: for the Campo, as the hinterland of Gibraltar is called, is a poor land where the standard of living seems pitifully low compared to Gibraltar.

On "the Rock" there are few signs of the pressure from Spain. The streets are jammed with cars, the taxi-cab shops are cluttered with every conceivable article, and food from all over the world.

But the fact is that tourism is only increasing very slowly, and the military and naval personnel are decreasing.

Gibraltar has outstanding tourist potential. The sun shines throughout the year. Cigarettes are 1s. 6d. for 20. A four-course meal at a luxury hotel costs only 15s.

The Gibraltarians would feel a lot more confident if they felt they were getting full support from Britain. They are not of Spanish stock themselves, but of mixed Italian, Maltese, and Spanish blood.

The mayor and chief member of the Legislature, Mr Joshua Hassan, C.B.E., M.V.O., has very strong views about Britain's support of Gibraltar. This is the man known as "Mr Gibraltar."

"We have always suggested that Britain should exert any pressure possible on Spain to get the restrictions on our border eased," he said. "We asked for it, for instance, when Spain wanted to join the O.E.E.C. But it was not done."

"Opportunities are always arising, but Britain never seems to take the chance to get some relief for Gibraltar."

When Mr Lennox-Boyd, then Colonial Secretary, was in Gibraltar, he asked the Governor, if there were a plebiscite, how many people would vote for union with Spain. He received the answer "One hundred and ten per cent against."

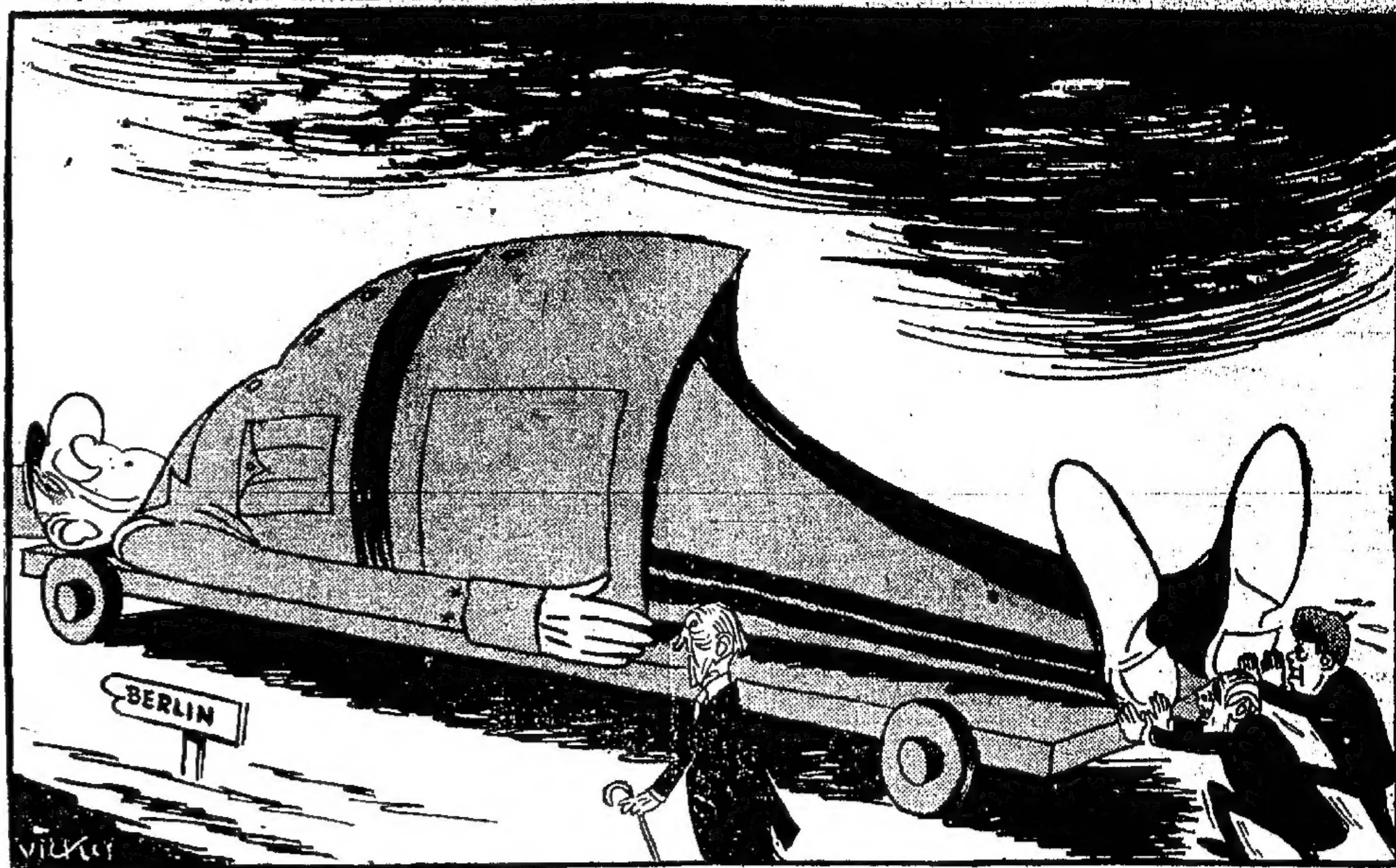
Support

When he asked about the extra 10 per cent he was told: "That would be the workers that come in every day from Spain."

The Gibraltar point of view was summed up for me by Mayor Hassan—an extremely able lawyer and politician—who said: "Here is a small but loyal community which wants to be nothing but British. But we feel we have a right to be supported in our desire to maintain our present way of life."

It would indeed be a sad thing if this isolated Colony, with its long and noble history, and its deep attachments to Britain, should be neglected by Britain.

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DE GAULLEVER'S TRAVELS

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WHY DO WE STIR UP TROUBLE IN THE FAMILY?

SECRETS are like nuclear weapons. Cleat or dirty, we should be happier without them. When a man comes home late and says that the reason is secret, his wife suspects the worst.

It will not do much good for the man to wax indignant if a friend "leaks" the real reason. He would do much better to have nothing to hide.

by
**A. J. P.
TAYLOR**

So too in public affairs. Secrecy is a warning gong which indicates that something fishy is going on.

The Common Market is the great secret of the moment. To judge from the Government's behaviour, it is a dirty secret too.

Governments often hide things from their own people. Our Government has done worse.

It hides things from the Government of our sister nations in the Commonwealth. And is indignant when the Governments try to find out.

Yet, to judge from the hullabaloo last month over the "leak," you would think that the Canadian Government, not ours, was at fault.

Traditions

I called the other members of the Commonwealth "sister nations." This, too, has become a dirty phrase. Apparently we ought to regard them not merely as foreign countries. We ought to put them on a lower level.

I have no hostility to any foreign country, though there is one I do not much care for. I recognise that there are many interests and many traditions which we share with the countries of Europe.

But it gives me a turn when the members of the Commonwealth are treated in the same way, or worse. Call it sentiment, emotion, anything else you like.

The fact remains that the nations of the Commonwealth are our brothers and sisters, and that foreign countries are not.

The fact is true. In the most literal sense. Millions of people in Canada, in Australia, and in New Zealand are our relations by blood.

When they or their ancestors left this country, they did not cease to be British. They went to the Colonies or the Dominions in order to remain British. They took with them an allegiance to our institutions, to our soil, to our common past.

Go to any of the Dominions, as I did to Canada this autumn, and you can't help saying to yourself. This is Home—with all its virtues and no doubt with many of its faults but Home all the same.

You do not feel the same even at Calais.

The Dominions have our legal system. They have our political institutions. Their peoples read our books, think like us, argue like us.

When I visited Canadian universities, I could detect no difference between them and British universities except that they were a bit livelier. Our approach to academic problems was exactly the same.

Sentiment?

When this country was in danger during two great wars, who sprang unquestioningly to our side? The peoples of the Dominions.

In the First World War the Canadians had as great a death roll, proportionate to their numbers, as we did. These men died for an idea: the idea of the British Commonwealth.

Now we are asked to dismiss this idea as mere sentiment, a childish feeling that we ought to grow out of. Do we behave like this in private life?

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TAYLOR**

Of course, we do not go on living in the same house when we grow up. But if we are in trouble we turn first to our sisters and brothers. And we know that they will help us.

We are sorry for the only child. Why should we willingly insist on becoming an only child in international affairs?

The Commonwealth is not all that it should be. Though it is by far our best export market, it has never become the great Free Trade area of Joseph Chamberlain's dream.

But whose fault is this? Is it all the fault of Commonwealth Governments who have behaved selfishly? No, it is just as much the fault of successive British Governments.

Submerged

For the last 40 years British Governments have failed to give a lead, have failed to offer any inspiration. They have shrugged off the Commonwealth as a one-way traffic. Its members have to help us. We do little for them.

I do not understand why this should be. I cannot believe that

it represents the feelings of ordinary British people. These feelings have been submerged by economic wranglings and mutual accusations of selfishness.

Now our rulers seem ready to behave as though the Commonwealth did not exist. Their pained surprise over the "leak" was not the only symptom. The recent Immigration Bill is a much graver sign.

This has been attacked as applying a colour bar to West Indians and others. There has been a demand that it should apply to the Irish, who are technically foreigners.

In these arguments, the really extraordinary and wicked feature of the Immigration Bill has been lost sight of. It is this: the restrictions will apply to all the inhabitants of the Commonwealth.

If this Bill goes through, our own brothers and sisters from Canada or Australia will have to get permission before they can come home.

No doubt they will get this permission easily, but it is monstrous that they should have to apply for permission at all. We should not tolerate a law which said that an inhabitant of Lancashire needed a permit before he visited Devon, or that a Scotsman needed a permit to move to England.

There once was such a law: the Act of Settlement of 1662, which provided that anyone without visible means of support must be sent back to his own parish.

The people of England regarded this law as an Act of slavery.

Its repeal in the nineteenth century was part of the march to democracy. Now we are back at the Act of Settlement for the peoples of the Commonwealth.

We are told nowadays that emotion is a bad guide in politics. Not so. Only bad emotions are bad guides. Hatred, fear, suspicion, concealment are evil and bring evil in their train.

Mutual affection, common devotion and trust bring high rewards in private life. This is just as true in public affairs. This country has always claimed to stand for great ideals. Why have we abandoned this stand now?

Attraction

The economic arguments for joining the Common Market and for neglecting the Commonwealth, if we could learn them, may be good or bad. I suspect they are bad.

The only attraction of the Common Market is for a few old-fashioned economists. It will bring the end of high wages and full employment.

But whatever the economic arguments, the call of sentiment is all on one side. That call is clear. It is that we should do nothing to weaken the ties with our own people.

I believe that that call should be heard. If the Government persists in disregarding the call, it should be swept from power.

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AS THE BAD DEBTS PILE UP

SOME of the saddest cases from the magistrates' courts are those where a housewife is in trouble through taking on more hire-purchase than her husband's wage packet can stand.

A familiar story—new furniture, a fridge, a washing machine—the signs of affluence and, for many harassed housewives, each one a necessity. For some, buying them even on the "never-never" proves too much. And one of the sins of "never-never" buying is to sell the goods before you have paid the final instalment.

EMBARRASSING

It is this that leads so many humble housewives up the embarrassing steps to the dock to face the magistrates.

Hire-purchase in this country was for years regarded as not quite respectable. It was the "tallyman's" business. The very poor were forced to buy their goods on the "knocker," with the payments collected weekly. And a good tallyman knew just how far his customers could afford to go.

Now, everybody buys on the "knocker," except that you can make your payments discreetly through the banks.

Since January 1959 the nation's debts to the hire-

...I say the banks must share the blame

by
FREDERICK ELLIS

purchase firms have soared £388 million to a near-record £953 million.

Until the Government clamped on credit restrictions earlier this year, "never-never" trading was the easiest way to debt.

The big expansion in hire-purchase stems from 1958, when the big banks, finally overcome their traditional opposition to hire-purchase.

One after another, the big banks bought shares of the big hire-purchase firms.

Before they took a direct interest, bank loans to H.P. firms was a mere £1,000,000. Now the big banks have no less than £150 million on loan to them.

This competition, aided by the Government lifting of restrictions on down-payments and length of time to pay, started a "pay tomorrow" spending spree. Then came the pay-off in reverse. The Government

again clamped on credit restrictions. And the aftermath was piles of bad debts—with some of the customers unable to pay.

TROUBLE

Even H.P. companies backed by eminent City financial institutions ran into serious trouble.

The latest victim, an H.P. firm controlled by two banks, reports a drop in profits from £3,000,000 to £739,000.

When the City banks went into the hire-purchase business, many heads in the City were shaking, including mine.

Banking is a very traditional business, with the manager knowing intimately the financial vital statistics of his customers. But the "never-never" salesman is ever ready to sell without knowledge of the customer's money commitments.

To this extent, the banks have been criticised in the City for entering the hire-purchase trade.

For in the City the banker's job is to lend to the prudent. And bankers should stick to banking.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Postpone tasks which can wait until after the holidays, instead of crowding too much into an already busy week.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): An issue which you can't avoid facing eventually will be easier to deal with now than later.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): You will be glad of a chance to do a friend a good turn, and thus repay him in part for his many favours.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): An outdoor occupation may suit your temperament better, and you should accept an offer to try it out for a while.

LEO (July 22-August 21): Before delegating part of your work to an assistant, choose someone you can trust not to need supervision.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): A document to be signed on the first of the year should not be left for perusal until the last moment.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Before plunging into an adventurous undertaking, be sure you are fully aware of its considerable risks.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Resolve to live well within your income next year.

and not spend on the basis of expectations.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): In spite of your fears, a relative's visit will interfere very little with your normal routine.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Consider the source of a piece of flattery, before you allow it to turn your head.

YOUR LUCKY CARD: If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the SEVEN OF DIAMONDS.

Helen Burke
RECIPE

JACKET POTATOES

REALLY large potatoes (and there are lots of them about) lend themselves to many interesting presentations. First, to serve with cold meats:

For four servings, bake four large washed potatoes in their skins. This will take 50 to 60 minutes in a hot oven. When they are soft enough, roll each in a cloth between the palms of the hands, pressing them to break up the insides.

Slash three-quarters of their length and pop a pat of butter into each potato. Have ready four to five tablespoons of sour or cultured cream, to which has been added a good leaping of dried chives, first soaked in warm milk. Spoon a portion into each potato—and serve as soon as possible.

For a light supper dish, allow a baked large jacket potato per person. Cut a shallow slice off the full length of each and spoon out the inside, leaving just enough to form a wall for the shell.

Whip the scooped-out "flesh" with a little butter and milk, heated together, and add salt and pepper to taste. Break an egg into each potato "shell" and top it with the whipped mixture. Return to the oven to heat through and cook the eggs.

Beating the blues—it's woman's biggest enemy

KNITTING, travel, Scrabble, bottling, philately—all these irresistible activities—and thousands more, of course, have been devised to beat the blues, combat the boredom and knock the bottom right out of ennui... unfortunately, not one has ever proved sufficiently compelling to win a permanent victory.

That people continue to be bored is one of our greatest growing problems.

Admittedly, it appears to be more of a female complaint than a male one... his lethargy of spirit is usually confined to Sunday afternoon, when, poor chap, time apparently ticks away interminably slowly after the Yorkshire pud and before the tinned salmon for tea.

Apart from this lull in his week, he just can't understand what the little woman means when she murmurs about the lack of stimulus and outside interests in her life...there's always shopping isn't there, dear?

How often has that sentence been thrown at a woman? I finally came to the conclusion recently after receiving an enormous mail on the subject that a woman's morale is easily sapped when there is no one around all day to give it the occasional boost.

"I feel positively furious at my way of life," wrote Mrs Maureen Hadfield of Stansted, Essex, for example. "I know I am fortunate in being happily married and having two healthy children, but I fail to understand why this should preclude one from having a career."

"As far as I can see I am virtually unemployed. How can one overcome one's lack of training, experience and part-time availability?"

This from a woman with an Oxford degree in politics, philosophy and economics, plus fluent Italian and French.

Her particular depth of depression showed still more when

she wrote: "As for looks—the trouble is one is simply never seen any more."

Exciting...?

PHOEBE MELLORS from Putney wrote: "I am an Oxford BA, wife of a successful advertising man... but please tell me how to make myself and my life more exciting."

To find out more about these flagging egos I invited both Maureen and Phoebe to lunch to meet women who had all tackled the problem of self-sufficiency with verve and imagination.

I invited Lady Susan Pulbrook along... four years ago after her husband's death she went to work for the first time in her life, by opening a small—now flourishing—flower business in Sloane-street, Margery Hurst, who now controls the largest employment agency in the country, but who started it all because of financial reasons by taking in typing when she was 35. Dorothy Davies, the instigator and brain behind the Presents shop, and Lady Jacqueline Killearn (wife of Lord Killearn, once Ambassador to Egypt and Special Commissioner in South-East Asia) now running a small duckling farm in Sussex.

A decision

"I OFTEN tell my husband I'm just an economic chattel," said Phoebe Mellors. "I know I can do more with my qualifications. I want to

change radically before I find myself 10 years older."

"It's simple," said Jackie Killearn. "Decide what you really think you can do and get down to it..."

Maureen Hadfield agreed. "So many of my neighbours grumble. I grumble, too, but they're not really prepared to get down to some sort of job."

"There's a general attitude that one is not really up to it... that any ambition is hopeless to achieve."

"Nothing is hopeless," Jackie went on. "When my husband first retired we had to give our energies to something, for financial reasons, apart from anything else."

"To keep the home in the country going, we decided on the duck farm."

"Now that is successful—we sell about 1,000 ducklings a week—I want to find something to utilise the asset of our London home—perhaps entertaining for a firm or something."

"But then you're a born organiser," said Margery Hurst. "I could give you a job any day of the week. The cabbages were born to be cabbages."

"I avoid those," said Phoebe firmly. "It's all too easy to live in a woman's world of tea parties."

"As a man grows older, if he's successful, he becomes more and more absorbed in his work, therefore a woman must achieve some independence if he doesn't want misery."

"I'm one of those elusive married women whom Sir David Eccles is rather ineffectively pursuing to return to teaching, something I'm reluctant to do until his friends at the Treasury ensure I would receive a little more money and my husband would have to pay a little less tax."

So lonely

"CERTAINLY a woman works either for money or prestige—nothing else," said Margery Hurst.

"Oh, no," said Susan Pulbrook. "I started because I was desperately lonely."

"I sat down and thought what on earth can I do. I decided on flowers because I'd loved them all my life. Now I'm obsessed with my business."

"But work isn't my life, although I'd hate to give it up..."

"I think it's mine," said Margery. "Of course, I adore my family, but my children have always had a nanny."

"Even when I went to work in the first place through lack of finance I found a nanny for £3 a week, and earned if I remember correctly, £12 myself."

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Rupert and the Popweed—47



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DOROTHY DAVIES
"The right answer."



MARGERY HURST
"I want a change."



JACQUELINE KILLEARN
"Let's get down to it."

THE GUESTS ROUND MY TABLE



SUSAN PULBROOKE
"Business is best."



PHOEBE MELLORS
"I want a change."



MAUREEN HADFIELD
"Fortunate...but."

"But women have to feel useful and after their children are grown most have to go outside their own homes to get the necessary stimulus. How else does a woman expand her mind when she gets older?"

Maureen looked reflective. "I'm sure a wife is more stimulating and interesting to her husband if she has a job."

"I feel I'm up against a brick wall, though. I want to work in broad-casting in some way—but just feel I haven't a chance."

We all rounded on her. "With your qualifications and looks—why could you do anything?"

"Oh, looks," she said. "I don't bother about those. I never wear make-up during the day and just slip around in the most awful old things."

It seemed as if we had reached the axis of Maureen's problem. Not caring how she looked, no confidence in her obvious abilities.

"Take a shorthand course," said Margery Hurst. "Then I can get you into the BBC."

And what about Phoebe? Easier, for Margery Hurst offered her a job right away.

Quick job

Helena Rubinstein once said to me: "Work is the only excitement which lasts." None of my guests agreed with her, but did any of them want to stop? No, only—in the cases of Phoebe and Maureen—to start. They could hardly wait.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Simon Is Puzzled

—He Doesn't Understand About Eggs Hatching—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the Shadow children with the Turned-About Names, made themselves small and squeezed themselves inside the Mother Goose Book. They found themselves on a sunny country road.

By and by they met Simple Simon sitting on a fence.

Simple Simon looked puzzled. "Good morning, Simon," said Knarf and Hanid.

He's puzzled

"Good morning," said Simple Simon. "I just can't figure it out."

"What can't you just figure out, Simon?" Hanid asked.

"About eggs," said Simon. He looked more puzzled than ever. He pushed his straw hat back and scratched his head. "No, I just can't figure it out at all."

"Eggs are eggs," said Knarf. "What can't you figure out about them, Simon?"

"Well," said Simon, "this morning I met a Hen. She was sitting on the ground. At least that's what I thought."

"I'm not sitting on the ground at all, you stupid Boy," she said. "I'm sitting on my eggs."

What's the reason?

"What are you sitting on your eggs for?" I asked her. "I'm sitting on my eggs to keep them warm," the Hen told me. "If I sit on them long enough and keep them warm long enough, they'll hatch."

"Of course!" Hanid broke in. "Didn't you know that, Simon? Chickens have to sit on their eggs to keep them warm to make them hatch."

"That's what I thought after I left the Hen," said Simon. "I walked down the road a little further, and I saw a Cat. He

was sitting on the ground, too. At least that's what he seemed to be doing. But I knew better. "Hello, Cat," I said. "You're not really sitting on the ground. You can't fool me. I'm not stupid."

"I'm not sitting on the ground?" repeated the Cat. He looked surprised. "What am I sitting on?"

"Ah!" I laughed. "I know what you're sitting on. You're sitting on your eggs. You're keeping them warm, so they'll hatch into Kittens."

Knarf and Hanid burst out laughing.

"What did the Cat say when you told him that?" Knarf asked.

"The Cat," said Simon, "said he was tired and was sitting on the ground to rest himself. He wasn't sitting on any eggs. He said Cats didn't have eggs."

Met Mother Hubbard

"So I walked down the road again," continued Simon. "I met a Duck and she said she wasn't sitting on the ground to rest herself. She said she was sitting on her eggs."

"Then I met a Squirrel and he said he wasn't sitting on eggs. He said he was sitting on the ground to get ready to eat a peanut."

"And then," said Simon, "I met old Mother Hubbard. She was coming from the grocery store with a whole box of eggs."

"Good morning, Mother Hubbard," I said. "I bet I know what you're going to do with all those eggs."

Asked a question

"You do, Simon, you clever Boy?" she asked. "Well, what am I going to do with all these eggs?"

"What did you tell Mother Hubbard?" Hanid asked Simple Simon.



"Why are you sitting on your eggs?" Simon asked the Hen.

"I told Mother Hubbard that I was sure she was going to sit on the eggs and keep them warm until they hatched."

"She smiled and said: 'You come home with me, Simon, and you'll see what I'm going to do with these eggs.'"

"So I went home with her. She broke the eggs and put them in a frying pan and made me an omelette. And now," said Simple Simon to Knarf and Hanid, "I'm all mixed up. I just can't figure out a thing about eggs."

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"That's what I thought after I left the Hen," said Simon. "I walked down the road a little further, and I saw a Cat. He

"What did you tell Mother Hubbard?" Hanid asked Simple Simon.

JACOBY
on BRIDGE

ONE of the important general rules of bidding that I have given time and again in this column is:

Don't use Blackwood when you have two potential losers in an unbalanced suit.

Of course, if your partner's response to Blackwood shows that your side has all the aces you have no worries, but when one ace is missing you have no idea whether to bid six.

South's two spade response is weak by some standards, but not by mine, and I am sure not by those of most of you readers. If you don't use a jump shift with this hand you just don't ever use one.

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| NORTH (D) 2 | |
| ♠ A932 | |
| ♥ AK876 | |
| ♦ 7 | |
| ♣ J85 | |
| WEST EAST | |
| ♠ 1032 | ♠ 954 |
| ♥ KQJ86 | ♥ A10853 |
| ♦ 9843 | ♦ 1072 |
| SOUTH | |
| ♠ KQJ1085 | |
| ♥ QJ | |
| ♦ 2 | |
| ♣ AKQ | |
| Both vulnerable | |
| North East South West | |
| 1♥ Pass 2♠ Pass | |
| 4♥ Pass 5♣ Pass | |
| 6♣ Pass Pass | |
| Opening lead—♦ K | |

North's jump to four spades is also poor. He does not have much high card strength, but has good spade support and a sound opening bid.

Now we get back to our first paragraph. South does not use Blackwood because he has two worthless diamonds. Instead he bids five clubs and this five club bid is enough for North. He realises that his singleton diamond is what South needs for the slam and North bids it forthwith, in accordance with the theory that when you know where you want to go you should go there.

2-CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:

North East South West

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2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass

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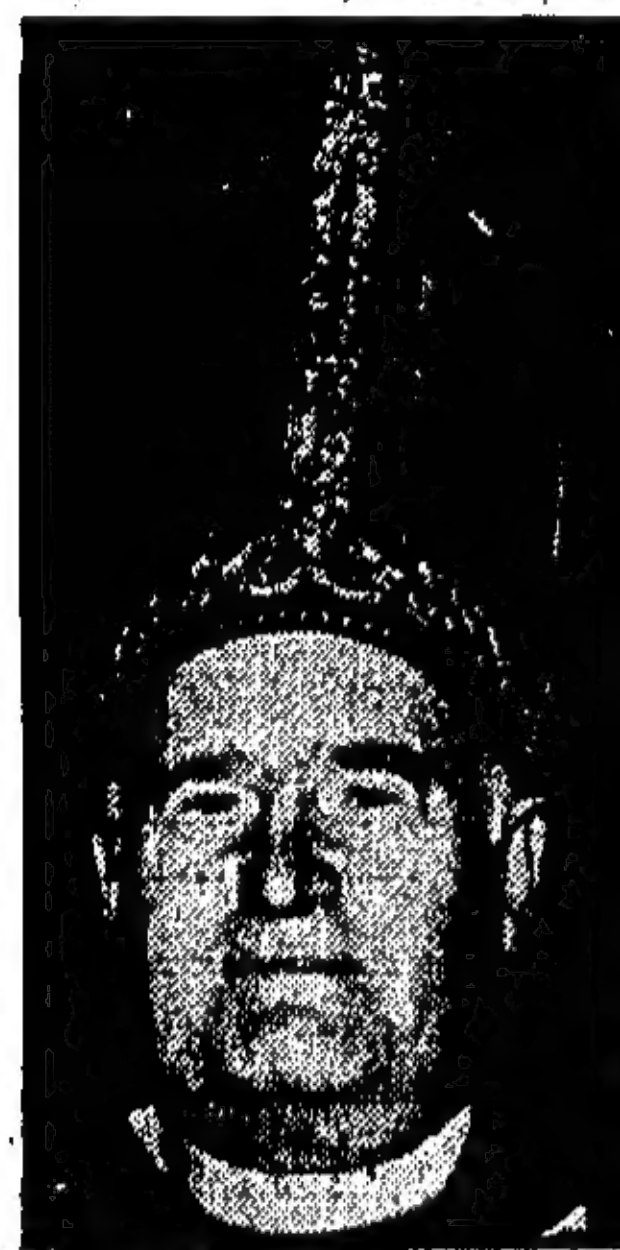
Christmas message from Canterbury 'FIGHT POVERTY'

Plea by
Anglican
primate

Canterbury, Dec. 25. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr A. M. Ramsey, called on the nations of the world today to join in a battle against poverty.

A fortnight ago I saw in Calcutta rows and rows of homeless refugees sleeping on pavements," he recalled in a Christmas Day sermon prepared for delivery at Canterbury cathedral.

Reading from the text, "We beheld his glory" (St John 1. 14), Dr Ramsey declared.



Dr Ramsey

"To the nations, Christmas has its urgent message. That their true glory is to serve one another, to eschew the lust for power, to agree together to abandon their weapons of destruction, to let the rich and the strong serve the poor and the weak.

"To all of us, Christmas has its urgent message: to serve those in distress, the homeless, the refugees."—AP.

Pope's plea for peace—even if it means sacrifices

Vatican City, Dec. 25. Pope John began Christmas Day with a plea to the leaders of the world to seek peace through negotiations "even if these demand sacrifices and renunciations."

The 80-year-old head of the Roman Catholic Church, speaking at a midnight Mass, made one of his strongest appeals for peaceful negotiation.

He spoke of the Christ Child as the "Prince of Peace," saying:

"It is the peace of men with each other and with God that Christ came to preach and establish on earth, sealing it with his blood.

In his prepared speech, the Pope said his thoughts turned "to those who hold in their hands the temporal destiny of peoples, and on whom depends for a large part the maintenance and the progress of peace on earth."

Guiding star

He recalled that in his main Christmas message, made public four days ago, he had mentioned "how great was their responsibility before God.

"It is also great before men, for the judgment of history will be severe with those who will not have done all in their power to free humanity of the pest of war.

"It is for this reason that we pray that the sweet clarity of this night of Christmas may also enlighten them—and them above all—and that the Star of Bethlehem may guide them on the path of peace."—AP.

Hagen, Dec. 25. Former Nazi SS General Kurt Meyer, relieved from a war crimes death sentence, died on Saturday on his 51st birthday, of a heart attack at his home here, it was announced today.—UPI.



The Pope

ROME CALLS ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Rome, Dec. 25. Pope John issued a papal bull today convening the first Ecumenical Council since 1870 in Rome in 1962.

The council is expected to bring to the Vatican 3,000 members of the church hierarchy, no firm date has been set.

Protestant and other non-Catholic churchmen are expected to be invited to attend some of the sessions in St Peter's Basilica as "observers."

One of the main issues on the Council's agenda is church unity.—UPI.

Good wishes from Pope John

Vatican City, Dec. 26. Pope John has sent a message of "Christmas good wishes and encouragement" to Cardinal Archbishop Stefan Wyszyński, of Warsaw, for the Catholics of Poland, a Vatican press office spokesman said today.

The Pontiff is said to have sent the message as a token of special affection for the Cardinal, who has not visited Rome for a long time, and for Polish Catholics generally.—Reuter.

Up a million

Tokyo, Dec. 25. The population of Japan was 94,280,000 as of October 1, 1961, the Prime Minister's office said today, in announcing the result of the latest national census.

The office's statistics bureau said this was an increase of 870,000 over the previous year's total of 93,420,000 when the last census was made in October 1957.—AP.

Adopted baby

Hollywood, Dec. 25. Comedian Jimmy Durante and his wife, Marge, are caring for a baby girl. And they say they plan to adopt her.

"It's an answer to our prayer," said Mrs Durante, "and this is the happiest Christmas of our lives."—AP.

Gift for slaughter victim's widow

Pisa, Dec. 24. The widow of an Italian air force sergeant killed in the Congo, received a package of Christmas gifts today from a Congolese waiter saddened by her husband's death.

Sgt Silvestro Possenti was one of 13 airmen butchered at Kindu on November 11. He and the other Italians were stationed here but flew missions to the Congo for the United Nations.

Possenti's wife, Angela, said she received the letters and gifts from Antonio Bondo, a 27-year-old Congolese waiter who knew her husband in Leopoldville.

MONKEY SKIN

Bondo sent her a monkey skin, two spears, ivory objects, Congolese earrings, a necklace and other objects.

He wrote Signora Possenti "that the Sergeant was a popular figure in Leopoldville, daily distributing free sweets and biscuits to Congolese children.

"These gifts," he wrote, "are little things but they are intended to show you our sincere sorrow. We are sure that you will not keep any rancour toward us."

"I have already pardoned all," Signora Possenti told reporters.—AP.

Prizegiving savings investments

London, Dec. 26. The public have invested £320,000,000 in the Government's prizegiving savings scheme since it began five years ago, it was announced.

The millionth prize winner railway fireman Frank Whitehouse of Tilbury near London received in addition to his £25 cheque a special hamper of Christmas cheer from the National Savings Committee Chairman Lord Mackintosh.

So far over £40,000,000 has been paid out in prizes in this "national lottery" the winning numbers of which are drawn each month by an electronic computer popularly called "Ernie."

The savings bonds are sold at £1 each. No interest is gained, the interest being paid out in the monthly prizes ranging from £5,000 to £25.—China Mail Special.

Nepal revolt

New Delhi, Dec. 25. Reports reaching here today said foes of King Mahendra have seized five police posts in Western Nepal, starting what may prove to be a large-scale revolt.

The rebels were said to have seized 10 rifles and two pistols from the police.—UPI.

More than 600 die on American roads

New York, Dec. 26. Christmas traffic deaths reached their highest peak for six years in the United States this year with a death toll—at latest count—of more than 600.

It was the first time since 1955's record total of 609 deaths that more than 600 people had died on the roads during a three-day Christmas holiday.

Last year when the holiday fell on the weekend, 488 people died.

The National Safety Council said ice and snow-coated highways caused many of the accidents. One of the worst was in Hearn, Texas, where five young sisters aged between five and 13 were orphaned after a head-on collision between two cars.

In Marietta, Ohio, a car carrying a group of carolers and a pick-up van collided. Two boys and the father of one of them were killed. The mother following in another car, saw the crash. California headed the casualty list with 55 road deaths, followed by Texas with 50 and New York state with 35.

Britain

Traffic accidents in Britain took 22 lives on Christmas day.

The figure brought to 113 the number of persons killed in traffic accidents from the period starting midnight on Thursday and ending midnight on Monday.

The number killed on Christmas Day last year—which fell on a Sunday—was 20. The total for the equivalent four-day period was 109.

Australia

But in Australia, road deaths were almost halved and in France they were also slightly down, according to latest figures reported by Reuter correspondents today.

SEA BATTLE OFF GOA JAPANESE FREIGHTER INTERVENED TO SAVE FRIGATE

Lisbon, Dec. 24. A Japanese merchant ship prevented the slaughtering of the crew of the Portuguese sloop Alfonso de Albuquerque in Goa, according to the claim of Lieutenant Colonel Solano de Almeida at a news conference today.

"The Japanese freighter, seeing that the Alfonso de Albuquerque had been disabled by the heavy guns of the Indian cruiser Delhi, steamed up to take a position between the two fighting ships," Almeida said.

He added this gave the Alfonso de Albuquerque a chance to ground and rescue part of the crew.

Lieutenant Colonel Solano de Almeida is the first Portuguese eyewitness of the Goa battle to arrive in Lisbon. He was responsible for the evacuation of hundreds of women and children from Panjim.

The sloop Alfonso de Albuquerque was the only warship Portugal had in India. She went out of Mormugao into battle against the cruiser Delhi and three destroyers which were supported by an aircraft carrier, Almeida said.

The battle lasted one hour and the Indian cruiser was hit, he added.—AP.

Hussein's peace gesture to Cairo

Amman, Dec. 24. King Hussein, in a Christmas eve broadcast, ordered the Jordanian radio to stop all attacks on the United Arab Republic.

He said he wanted the Jordanian broadcasting system to concentrate on serving the Arab people and that he believed Jordan would show "maturity" by refusing to reply to press and radio attacks from other Arab nations.

Radio and press attacks—and counter-attacks—between Jordan and the UAR flared up last September after Jordan's recognition of the new Syrian regime.

Immediately after King Hussein's statement, the Jordanian Prime Minister, Bajaj Talhouni, announced that he had instructed the Director of Broadcasting to stop all programmes criticising President Nasser.—AP.

'Our moves to defend New Guinea'

Washington, Dec. 25. The magazine "U.S. News and World Report" today published an interview with the Dutch Foreign Minister on the problem of Dutch New Guinea.

Mr Joseph Luns, in a copy-right interview, also replied as follows to a question asking whether the Netherlands would defend New Guinea against Indonesian attacks.

"The Indonesians are fairly strong in a military sense. We have taken some very modest measures to increase our defence in order not to have a military vacuum. We trust, however, that the Indonesians will not resort to naked aggression."

Mr Luns said that what made New Guinea important to Holland was "the principle of self-determination," which "prevents us from delivering a completely alien population to rule by Indonesia."

DIFFERENT

He said the Papuans, who inhabit Dutch New Guinea, "are racially as different from the Malays as Chinese are from the Argentinians," and they "should be asked whether they wish to be part of Indonesia."

Mr Luns also said that the Papuans are "at a backward state of civilisation and require help that the Netherlands can give them."

He said Indonesia's claim to the territory "is based on the contention that, as Netherlands New Guinea was formerly ruled by the Dutch, and they were ruled by the Dutch, too, it follows that Netherlands New Guinea should become part of their country."

He said Indonesians never ruled Netherlands New Guinea and that "geologically and geographically it is part of Australia."—UPI.

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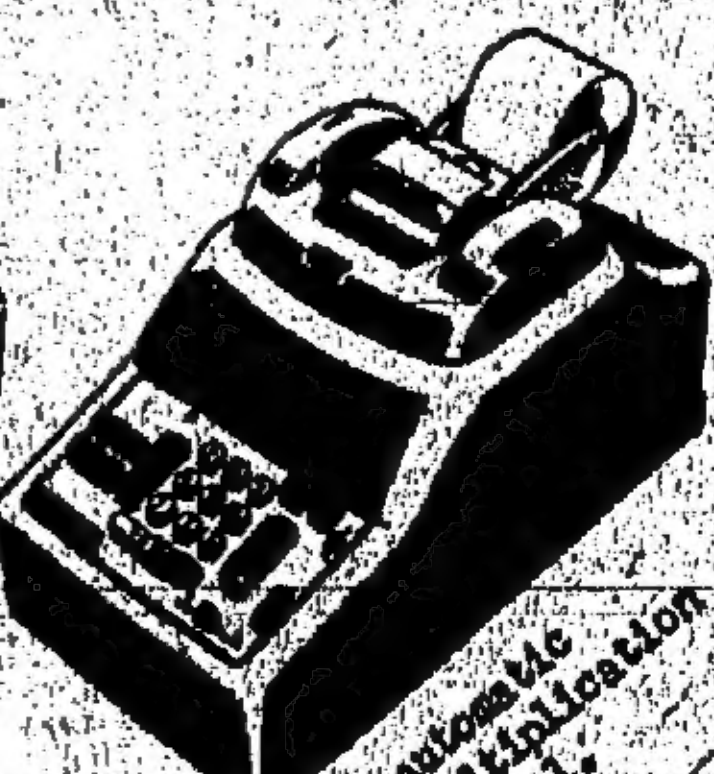
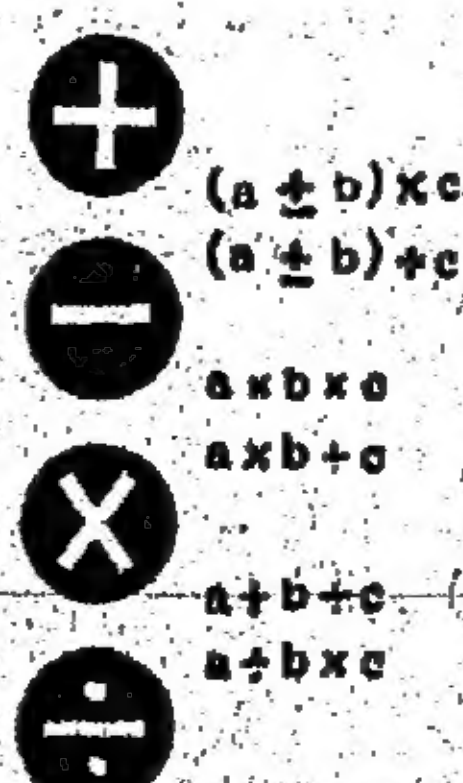


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MOSLEM NATIONALISTS BLAMED Algerian violence

U.S. woman, son jailed in Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 26. The Tokyo District Court today sentenced an American woman and her 17-year-old son to prison for the murder of her husband during a family quarrel.

Their counsel appealed immediately. Mrs. Beverly Quackenbush, 38, Ft. Wayne, Ind., was sentenced to eight years at hard labour after she was found guilty of single murder in the death last June of Henry Quackenbush, Sr., a former civilian employee of the U.S. Air Force. The son, Henry, Jr., was given a sentence of five to seven years in prison.

Mrs. Quackenbush's 14-year-old daughter also had been implicated in the fatal beating of the father at the family home in a Tokyo suburb following a drunken quarrel during which the slain man slapped his wife and threatened to kill the entire family. The daughter was not charged and Judge Haruzo Shimizu said the attempt by the mother and son to implicate her as the one who actually beat the father to death with an iron bar was a "moral crime."—UPI.

29 KILLED IN INCIDENTS DURING XMAS

Twenty-nine persons — most of them Moslems — died in three days of terrorist violence during Christmas in Algeria, police reported today. Most of the bombings, gunning and knifings were blamed on Moslem nationalists.

European terrorists of the extreme right-wing Secret Army Organisation (OAS) proclaimed a "truce of God" from Friday until today, the "truce" was broken by only two incidents blamed on OAS followers. At least 40 persons were injured in more than 30 incidents that swept the country, police said.

Among the wounded was Antoine Navarro, 31, one of Algeria's former great football players.

In one OAS incident, Addaou Mohamed, 37, an executive of a liquid air company, was shot today by two Europeans. He was taken to hospital in serious condition.

(In metropolitan France at Evre, near Marseilles, rival Algerian nationalists clashed leaving four dead and five injured in a Christmas Day attack on two cafes. Police arrested two men in connection with the gun and grenade attacks.)—UPI.

Machine-gunned

Four French soldiers were among the Moslems' victims. They fell in ambushes while on rural patrols.

In one of the worst incidents, terrorists machine-gunned a cafe in Boufarik yesterday. Twelve Europeans were injured, one of whom died today in hospital.

China pardons 'war criminals' on Xmas Day

Tokyo, Dec. 26. Communist China, in a Christmas Day announcement, said 68 "war criminals," including an ex-foreign minister of the Japanese "Manchukuo" puppet government, Yuan Chen-to, had been pardoned and released from prisons on the China mainland.

It was the third straight year the Communist regime had announced the pardon and release of "war criminals," who "have truly changed and turned over a new leaf." It was the largest group released this far.

A new China News Agency report monitored here today said the group included 61 former "war criminals" of the "Chiang Kai-shek clique" and seven of the "Manchukuo" puppet government.

The "Chiang Kai-shek clique" included nine former lieutenant generals and 19 former major generals of the Kuomintang army; a former mayor of Tientsin, one of North China's major cities; several former high-ranking Kuomintang party officials and "various former KMT (Kuomintang) colonels, lieutenant colonels and majors and KMT party and administrative officials," New China said.—UPI.

Sino-Albanian accord

London, Dec. 26. Communist China and Albania today signed an agreement forming a Sino-Albanian Shipping Company, the Communist New China news agency reported in a dispatch from Peking.

The report, monitored here, said the aim was to strengthen economic co-operation and develop shipping between the two countries.—UPI.

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| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|----------|----------------------|---------------------|
| CHITRAL | 31 Dec/2 Jan. 5 p.m. | 3rd Jan. 1st Feb. |
| CANTON | 11/13 Jan. 5 p.m. | 14th Jan. 14th Feb. |
| CHUSAN | 28/29 Jan. noon | 30th Jan. 28th Feb. |
| *SOMALI | 12/14 Feb. 5 p.m. | 15th Feb. 22nd Mar. |
| CATHAY | 3/5 Mar. 5 p.m. | 6th Mar. 4th Apr. |
| HIMALAYA | 9/10 Mar. noon | 11th Mar. 3th Apr. |

* CARGO VESSELS proceed via Straits Ports, Aden, Port Said and Le Havre to LONDON, and extend to Hamburg, Bremen, Rotterdam, Antwerp and Grangemouth.

ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE

| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|--------|-----------|------------|
| CANTON | 10th Jan. | 17th Feb. |
| CHUSAN | 18th Jan. | 17th Feb. |
| SOMALI | 17th Jan. | 18th Feb. |
| KHYBER | 19th Jan. | 15th Mar. |

P & O - ORIENT LINES

PACIFIC SERVICE

| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|------------|-------------------------------|--|
| STRATHMORE | due 3rd Feb. sails 4th Feb. | from London via Suez for Japan and Australia |
| HIMALAYA | due 8th Mar. sails 11th Mar. | from Sydney & Manila for London via Suez |
| CHUSAN | due 14th Apr. sails 17th Apr. | from London via Straits for Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, Vancouver, San Francisco & Los Angeles |

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BAY OF BENGAL/JAPAN

| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|----------|------------------------------|---|
| BANGOLA | due 8th Jan. sails 8th Jan. | from Japan for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta & Chittagong |
| RANEE | due 9th Jan. sails 10th Jan. | from Calcutta, Chittagong, Rangoon, Penang & Singapore for Japan |
| SHAHZADA | due 9th Jan. sails 10th Jan. | from Japan & Shanghai for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta & Chittagong |

P & O / B. I. JOINT SERVICE

JAPAN/WEST COAST INDIA & P. GULF

| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|-----------|-----------------------------|---|
| CHYEBASSA | due 8th Jan. sails 8th Jan. | from Japan & Shanghai for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon, Calcutta, Bahrain, Kuwait, Basrah, & Kharrambahar |

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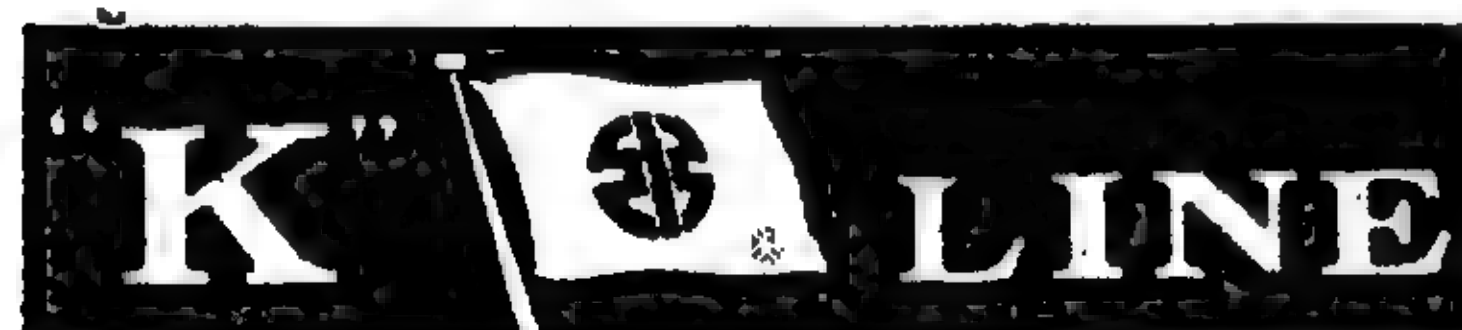
| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|---------|------------------------------|---|
| EASTERN | due 4th Jan. sails 6th Jan. | from Australia for Singapore, Brisbane, Sydney, Adelaide & Melbourne |
| NELLORE | due 30th Jan. sails 1st Feb. | from Australia for Labuan, Sandakan, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide |

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m.s. OREGON MARU Due 17th Jan. Sails 18th Jan.

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s.s. KOKOKU MARU Due 20th Jan. Sails 23rd Jan.

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| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| LENEVERETT | Arr. Jan. 16 | Sails Jan. 17 |
| RUTHEVERETT | Jan. 20 | Jan. 21 |
| RENEVERETT | Feb. 10 | Feb. 11 |
| NOREVERETT | Mar. 8 | Mar. 9 |

Loading for Kobe, Osaka, Nagoya & Yokohama.

* RUTHEVERETT Arr. Dec. 27 Sails Dec. 28

* REBEVERETT Jan. 11 Jan. 12

* NOREVERETT Feb. 4 Feb. 5

* DOLPHEVERETT Feb. 12 Feb. 13

* Also calls Okinawa & Pusan.

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| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|-------------|---------|------------|
| RUTHEVERETT | Dec. 27 | Dec. 28 |
| REBEVERETT | Jan. 11 | Jan. 12 |
| BRADVERETT | Jan. 11 | Jan. 12 |
| BRADVERETT | Jan. 26 | Jan. 27 |

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| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| STAR ALCYONE | Arr. Jan. 4 | Sails Jan. 5 |
| PANAMA | Jan. 24 | Jan. 25 |
| T H A I | Feb. 23 | Feb. 24 |

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* STAR DETELGEUSE Arr. Jan. 10 Sails Jan. 11

* T H A I Jan. 28 Jan. 29

* STAR ARCTUBUS Feb. 11 Feb. 12

* L A O Mar. 10 Mar. 11

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M.V. GARRYBANK 30th Jan.

ARRIVALS FROM SOUTH & EAST AFRICA

M.V. GARRYBANK * 2nd Jan.

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ARRIVALS FROM U.K./CONTINENT

| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|---------------|-------|----------------|
| Hamburg | Sails | Jan. 24 |
| Middlesbrough | Sails | Dec. 28/Jan. 1 |
| Le Havre | Sails | Jan. 25/26th |
| Hong Kong | Arr. | Jan. 13 |

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ARRIVALS FROM U.S.A.

| Loads | Sails | Due London |
|---------------|-------|------------|
| Vancouver | Sails | Mar. 12 |
| Seattle | Sails | Mar. 13 |
| Portland | Sails | Mar. 18 |
| San Francisco | Sails | Mar. 18 |
| Los Angeles | Sails | Mar. 22 |
| Wanda | Sails | Mar. 24 |
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CHENG TU In Port 30 Dec. Madang, Lae, Rabaul, Samarai, Pt. Moresby, Santo, Vila, Noumea, Suva, Lautoka

To CHINA

PAKHOT 12 Jan. 14 Jan. Tientsin, Tangsiao

To OKINAWA & PUSAN

CHANGSHA 22 Jan. 10 Jan.

To JAPAN

SARPEDON 6 Jan. 8 Jan. Moji, Yama, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe

HUNAN 10 Jan. 13 Jan. Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe

To STRAITS

FOOCHOW 28 Dec. 1 Jan. Singapore

FOYANG 5 Jan. 8 Jan. Singapore

To INDONESIA

FOOCHOW 28 Dec. 1 Jan. Djakarta, Semarang, S'gaya, M'cor

FOYANG 5 Jan. 8 Jan. Djakarta, Semarang, S'gaya, M'cor

To BANGKOK

HANYANG 8 Jan. 1 Jan.

5 Feb. 9 Feb.

To KEELUNG

SZECHUEN 30 Dec. 1 Jan.

6 Jan. 8 Jan.

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ARRIVALS FROM U.K.

DEMODOCUS 27 DEC. *PYRRHUS 14 JAN.

DOLUS 28 DEC. MACHAON 17 JAN.

*ATREUS 4 JAN. NESTOR 19 JAN.



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| | Loading | Sailing |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| M.S. BEERSHEVA | 13th Jan. | 15th Jan. |
| M.S. INGE TOFT | 13th Feb. | 15th Feb. |

Arrivals from West & South African Ports

| | Loading | Sailing |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| M.S. INGE TOFT | 10th Jan. | 11th Jan. |
| M.S. GEDERA | 8th Feb. | 9th Feb. |



(JAPAN/HONGKONG/STRAITS/RANGOON SERVICE)

Loading for Singapore & Rangoon.

| | Loading | Sailing |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| M.S. SUNPINE | 5th Jan. | 6th Jan. |
| M.S. REINHOLT | 1st Feb. | 2nd Feb. |

Loading for Moll, Kobe, Osaka, Nagoya & Yokohama.

| | Loading | Sailing |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| M.S. INCHMULL | 28th Jan. | 29th Jan. |
| M.S. PAGAN | 15th Feb. | 17th Feb. |



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NEXT SAILINGS

| | Loading | Sailing |
|--|-----------|-----------|
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| M.S. TEVERIYA (Built 1961, D.W.—10,330 tons) | 17th Mar. | 18th Mar. |
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| EASTERN QUEEN | Sydney (ETA 6 Feb.), Melbourne (ETA 9 Feb.) & Brisbane | 23 Jan. | 23 Jan. |
| EASTERN ARGOSY | Brisbane, Sydney, Auckland, Wellington, Lyttelton, Dunedin & Melbourne | 12 Feb. | 14 Feb. |

To RANGOON, CHITTAGONG & CALCUTTA

| | | Due | Sails |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| TAK SANG | Calcutta & Chittagong | 5 Jan. | 7 Jan. |
| EASTERN MAID | Rangoon & Calcutta | 5 Jan. | 7 Jan. |

To STRAITS & BANGKOK

| | | Due | Sails |
|--------------|--|--------|--------|
| TAK SANG | Bangkok, Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Calcutta & Chittagong | 5 Jan. | 7 Jan. |
| EASTERN MAID | Singapore, Port Swettenham & Penang | 5 Jan. | 7 Jan. |

To BORNEO PORTS

| | | Due | Sails |
|----------|----------|---------|--------|
| HIN SANG | Sandakan | 30 Dec. | 3 Jan. |
| HEW SANG | Tawau | 30 Dec. | 2 Jan. |

To JAPAN

| | | Due | Sails |
|--------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| EASTERN SAGA | Osaka, Kobe (Nagoya) & Yokohama | 28 Dec. | 30 Dec. |

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| M.S. LLOYD BAKKE | Sailed | Sailed | Sailed | 10/1 |
| M.S. ELLEN BAKKE | 5/2 | 10/2 | 16/2 | 5/3 |

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| | Arrives | Sails |
|--------------------|---|---------------------|
| M.S. KRISTIN BAKKE | arriving from Australia & Malaya on 11th Jan. | Sails 13th Jan. |
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SAILS 5 p.m. 9th January

DUE LONDON 8th FEBRUARY

Aden/London/Middlesbrough/Hamburg

BENLOYAL

LOADING 24TH/26TH JANUARY

SAILS 5 p.m. 26th January

DUE LONDON 25th FEBRUARY

| | Sails | Due | Also Discharges |
|----------|---------|---------|------------------------------|
| BENLARIO | 11 Feb. | 13 Mar. | Aden, H'burg, R'dam, Antwerp |
| BENGLOR | 23 Feb. | 25 Mar. | Aden, H'burg, R'dam, Antwerp |
| BENATTOW | 8 Mar. | 8 Apr. | Aden, H'burg, R'dam, Antwerp |
| BENDORAN | 28 Mar. | 27 Apr. | Aden, Middlesbrough, H'burg |

Cargo accepted for Scandinavian Ports with transshipment.

OTHER SAILINGS TO U.K. CONTINENT

| | Sails | Due |
|----------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| BENWYVIS | 10th February | Liverpool, Grangemouth & Rotterdam |
| BENAVON | 20th March | Liverpool, Grangemouth & Rotterdam |

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Aden/Liverpool/Grangemouth/Rotterdam

BENVORLICH

LOADING 20th/23rd JANUARY

SAILS 5 p.m. 23rd January

DUE LIVERPOOL 25th FEBRUARY

| | Sails | Due | Also Discharges |
|------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| BENRECH | 19 Feb. | 24 Mar. | Aden, Rotterdam, Hull and Hamburg |
| BENVRACKIE | 22 Mar. | 24 Apr. | Aden, Rotterdam, Hull and Hamburg |
| BENLOMOND | 23 Apr. | 25 May | Aden, Rotterdam, Hull and Hamburg |
| BENMHOR | 23 May | 25 Jun. | Aden, Rotterdam, Hull and Hamburg |

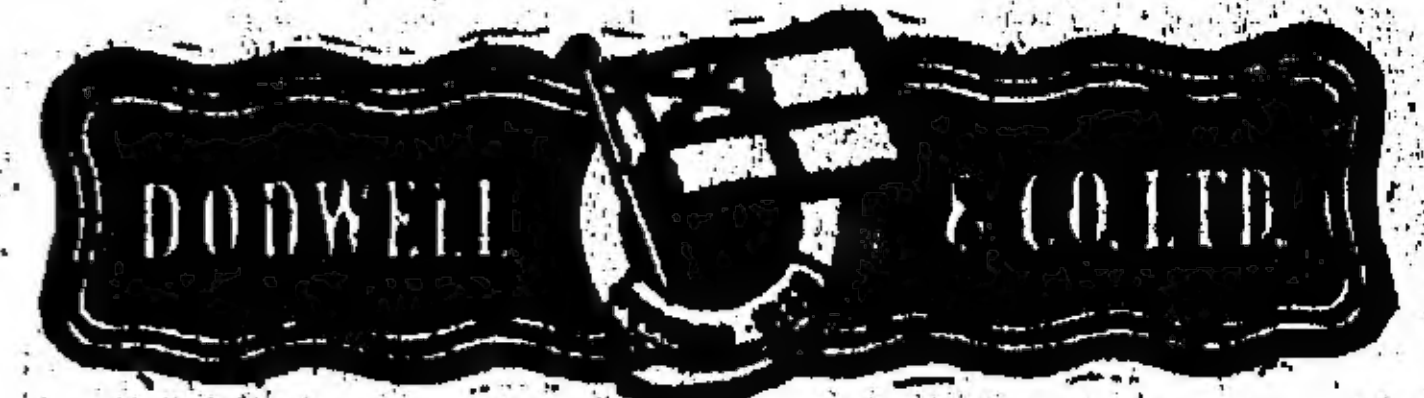
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ARRIVALS FROM U.K. CONTINENT

| | Sails | Due |
|------------|---------|---------|
| BENLARIO | 11 Feb. | 13 Mar. |
| BENMHOR | 23 Feb. | 25 Mar. |
| BENLOYAL | 8 Mar. | 8 Apr. |
| BENATTOW | 28 Mar. | 27 Apr. |
| BENRECH | 19 Feb. | 24 Mar. |
| BENVRACKIE | 22 Mar. | 24 Apr. |
| BENLOMOND | 23 Apr. | 25 May |
| BENMHOR | 23 May | 25 Jun. |

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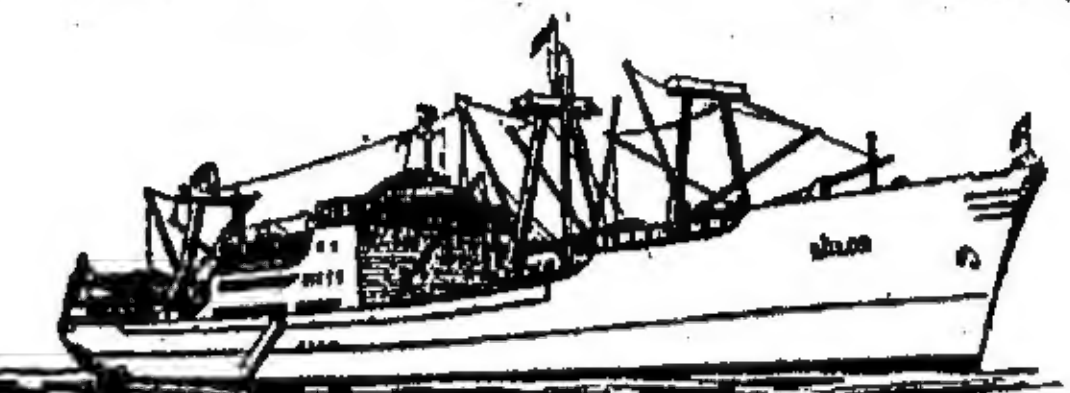


FROM ITALY

| | Arr. | Dep. |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| M.V. CELLINA | 14th Jan. | 15th Jan. |
| M.V. ASIA | 25th Jan. | 26th Jan. |

TO ITALY

| | Arr. | Dep. |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| M.V. VICTORIA | 25th Jan. | 26th Jan. |
| M.V. CELLINA | 14th Jan. | 15th Jan. |



TO AUSTRALIA & NEW GUINEA

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Police . . . 2. Army . . . 1 EVANS' GREAT WINNER

Police skipper's crashing free-kick sends Army down to defeat
By I. M. MacTAVISH

In a bright and breezy First Division football match played at Boundary-street yesterday Police rather fortunately gathered two points when they edged out the Army by the odd goal in three.

The soldiers who were on top for long periods and had enough chances to win the game several times over, had only themselves to blame for their defeat. They failed to press home their advantage when things were going well and worst of all they got themselves tied up in a strange confusion of tactics towards the end when by currying the ball they might have saved at least a point.

On the other hand the Police, with several important changes in the side, played better than they have done for weeks. This time there was some real endeavour in the lineup and the boys, in blue, whatever their other shortcomings, could not be accused of not fighting hard for their two invaluable points.

The hero

The hero of the Police day was young Lau Sau-ching who came into the side at the very last moment and played a real blinder. Lau normally appears at centre-half for the Police Third Division side and he was only pressed into senior service when it was found that Chan Ting-nam was unfit to turn out. Playing at left-back the newcomer was an eye-opener and it is hard to see how on this showing the Police can possibly leave him out of the First eleven. Certainly this rough diamond is the most promising thing that has happened to the lawmen this season.

Other stalwarts in the winners' side were goalkeeper Cheung Kwok-kui, Yuen Hoi-ping and Lam Sai-so in defence and their hard grafting inside forwards Evans and Scanlon in attack.

Evans often got himself into trouble by hanging on to the ball and being caught in possession but he never stopped chasing or foraging and his potential shooting power was a threat which the Army defenders could never afford to ignore. His partner Machado was well worth another outing.

Although beaten the Army side in spasms produced some exhilarating stuff and they gave the fans a good ration of festive season entertainment. There was not very much that was classic about their play but they did get on with the job in hand. They got the excellent encouragement of a goal in the first minute but whether or not this gave them a false feeling of security they never quite as good afterwards.

Goalkeeper Robertson showed a welcome return of confidence

and some of his handling of high cross-balls was very good. Like the Police, the Army had their star performer at left-back where Matthews showed why he is quickly proving himself such a capable replacement for Turner.

Unfortunate

The soldiers were unfortunate to have centre-half and skipper Logan call off through injury. Prentice, who had already played for the reserves, took over the No 5 shirt and turned in a very creditable display. Both wing-halves worked hard but found it difficult to keep Evans and Scanlon under control.

The forwards started off like lions but they often had a well-served sort of look later on. Bent confirmed current opinions that he has the makings of a very useful centre-forward. However, he would be well advised to try a little more finishing on his own rather than working so hard to make openings for his mates.

Mulcairn had his best game in weeks and he was very unlucky several times with lobs and shots which brought out the best in the Police goalkeeper. Murphy, with so much talent, simply is not getting the results. He snapped up a fine goal in the opening minute but towards the end, when he was most needed as a spearhead for the vital attack which might have saved the day, he was all over the field—even back on his own goal-line—and a great chance was lost. Davis had a thin time against Lau Sau-ching while his partner Dixon worked like a Trojan for very little result.

First-minute goal

The Boundary-street pitch was in excellent condition and the soldiers were quick to show their appreciation. Within 60 seconds of the start they were in the lead when Murphy raced ahead and beat Cheung Kwok-kui from a very narrow angle.

Five minutes later Evans whipped a shot goalwards and we had a hectic scramble before an astonishing off-side decision—one of many strange bits of refereeing—relieved the situation.

There were near things and bad misses at both ends before the Police got their equaliser. This came in the 22nd minute and was started by a delightful

fluke inside by Machado. The ball went to Scanlon and he resisted a couple of strong tackles before cracking a right-foot shot into the net close to the post.

In another five minutes Police took the lead with a great goal which was destined to win the game. The home side was awarded a free-kick a few yards outside the Army penalty area. Evans, of the mighty wallop, had a look at the rather haphazard 'wall' presented by the Army defenders, spotted a hole and proceeded to crash a glorious shot straight through it and into the net.

The goal had a contrary effect on the run of play. It was the soldiers and not the Police who took charge of the proceedings.

All Army

First Davis blazed a great chance wildly over the bar after the Police 'keeper had been forced to kick clear. Then Bent had a brilliant run along the bye-line in which he beat several players 'on a sixpence' only to see his cross-shot ignored by his mates.

It was now all Army and Lau Sau-ching added to the glory of his day by kicking off the goal-line when Cheung Kwok-kui had been beaten all ends up. Dixon joined the party with a rasping shot which hit the post and the half ended with the Police goalkeeper saving a great lob-shot from Mulcairn over the bar.

The second half started as the first one had ended—with the Army very much on top. Cheung Kwok-kui had to look sick to clutch a sizzler from Mulcairn and the goalkeeper also did well to push away a cross-shot from Dixon and then tip a long lob from Matthews over the top.

At the other end Evans had a chance for the Police but shot wide and immediately Cheung was in action again at the other end. First he upped a Mulcairn shot round the post and then pushed a Murphy lob over the bar. Even right-back Lowther found time to race upfield and have a bang at the Police goal.

Scanlon relieved the pressure when he carved his way through the Army defence. He beat several men but he could not get his shot in... then after the ensuing midfield struggle, Caldron almost put the ball into his own net.

Evans wasted a great chance when Ng Chau-wing swept the ball back from the line and the soldiers looked a little fortunate at his stage to survive a strong claim for a penalty when Tang Tai-hong was 'bumped' in the area.

Around this time—maybe in something akin to desperation—the Army boys lost their poise and the place... and the Police survived to add two valuable points to their total.

Verdict: Good entertaining stuff. Maybe a draw would have been a fairer result... but it's goals that count and the Army had only one to their credit after 90 minutes of hard endeavour and many chances. With fewer opportunities the police had two. That's soccer... and the only difference between victory and defeat.

The teams

Police: Cheung Kwok-kui, Yuen Hoi-ping, Lau Sau-ching, Lam Sai-so, Kung Wan-ki, Cheung Chi-man, Ng Chau-wing, Scanlon, Tang Tai-hong, Evans, Machado.
Army: Robertson, Lowther, Matthews, Caldron, Prentice, Williams, Davis, Dixon, Bent, Mulcairn, Murphy.

Jim Clark wins South African Grand Prix

East London, Dec. 26. Jim Clark, of Britain, won the South African Motor-racing Grand Prix here today in a Lotus Climax. (Britain) was second in another Lotus Climax and Joachim Bonnier (Sweden) third in a Porsche. Clark's victory in the 50-lap, 205-mile race completed a hat-trick in the South African series of races. The 26-year-old Scottish farmer earlier won the Grand Prix at Johannesburg and the Natal Grand Prix at Durban.

Today's matches

There are just two matches due to be played today and doubtless they will be played by men overfurnished with turkey and plum pudding and straining to shake out the cobwebs and tinsel. At 2 p.m. at the Army ground, Whitehead takes on the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers and then at 4 p.m. on the neighbouring Police pitch, Police Casuals play the Warwick. There is no evening fixture this week for which many will be pleased it will be something of a well-earned, and necessary, rest for the players, and it will make all look forward to the more to next week's Colony match.

Singapore Services Rugby team to play here on Saturday

By LANCASTRIAN

HMNZS Pukaki sails for Japan today and on board go many who have apparently never stopped playing Rugby since they docked in early November.

But HMNZS Vampire is still here and will be for a week or two yet. Their full-back, Lintney, well-known to followers of the game here now, is selected as one of the players of the Singapore Services Tour for the coming weekend. We think of Lintney as a Hongkong man by now but in fact his ship is actually based further south.

Other members of the touring party arrive on Friday and play matches on Saturday and Sunday with a final against the Colony on Wednesday evening.

Vampire had just about two teams out on Saturday. One team played Pukaki 12 and lost 6-20; the others, Rugby-wise, virtually took over the Tamar end of the HMS Tamar vs Royal Warwickshire fixture, and supplied all but one player for it. To lose only eight-nil to the Warwickshire is a lot for the Vampire's Rugby band.

Pukaki had 45 men out altogether which is a big feat for a small ship. One side beat a Vampire team, as mentioned; the other two sides met selections of the Club and lost both games, neither of which produced the sustained excitement which I for one expected.

By the way, of these two matches though, Club scored two

Bright 112
by Parfitt
for MCC

Calcutta, Dec. 26. Peter Parfitt, the 25-year-old Middlesex left-hander, hit a bright 112 for MCC against a Services XI here today to strengthen his claims for a place in the England team to meet India starting here on Saturday.

MCC after losing both openers for 32, scored 339 for nine at nearly 70 an hour during an entertaining opening day's play.

Parfitt, who has had no Test experience, set the England selectors a poser by his good form. Here at last is a pitch which gives some help to the fast bowlers, and it may be that the selectors have considered introducing another fast bowler at the expense of a batsman.

Parfitt, however, must now have a chance of gaining his first Test cap in place of the out-of-form Mike Smith.

But if the selectors decide to replace Smith with a bowler, Hampshire's David White would probably come in. After reaching his 50 in 122 minutes, Parfitt went wholeheartedly into attack, bringing off a succession of powerful drives and hooks.

His second four century included 15 fours, and he was finally out after 205 minutes when he gave an easy catch to mid-wicket off mediumpace bowler Dan. Parfitt's innings included 16 fours.—Reuter.

Calcutta Derby Winner

Calcutta, Dec. 26. Ridden by English jockey Dunstan Keith, Golden cantered a five lengths win in the Calcutta Derby here today.

Golden cantered favourite at 5 to 2. Oradee Queen was second and Crowd Prince third, two lengths further behind. There were eight runners.—Reuter.

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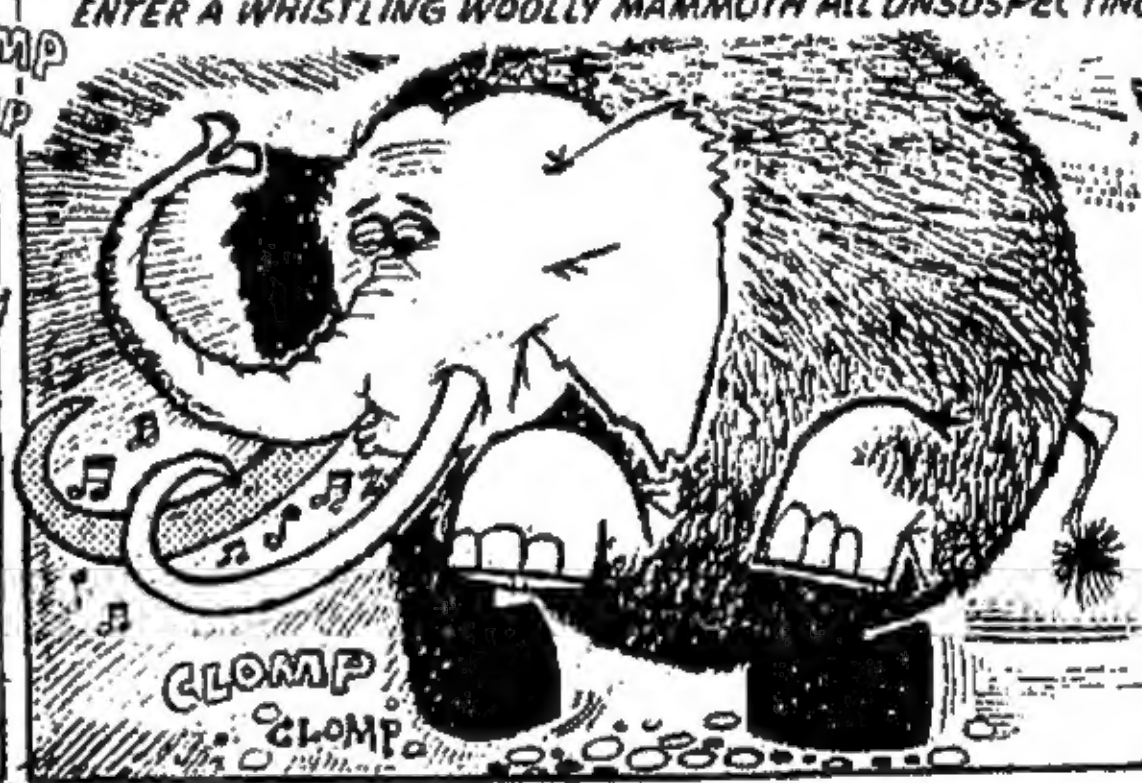
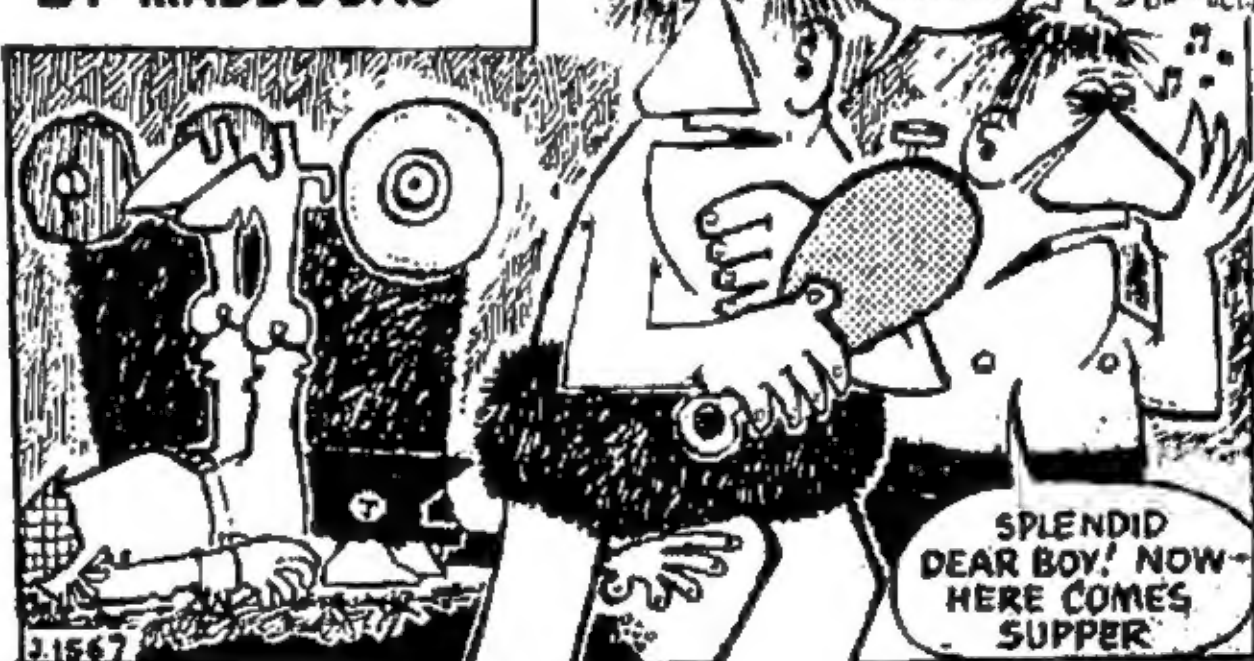
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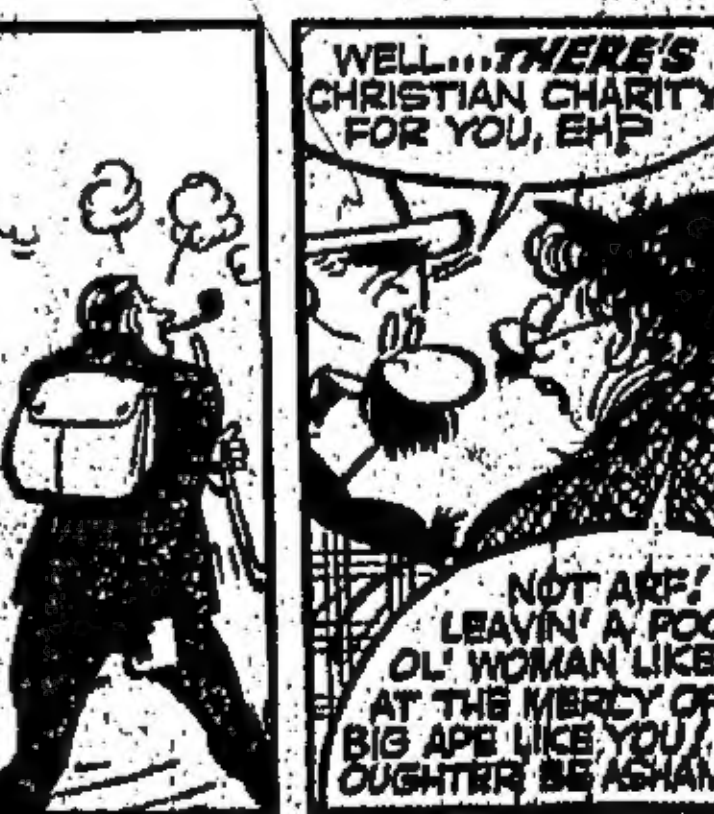
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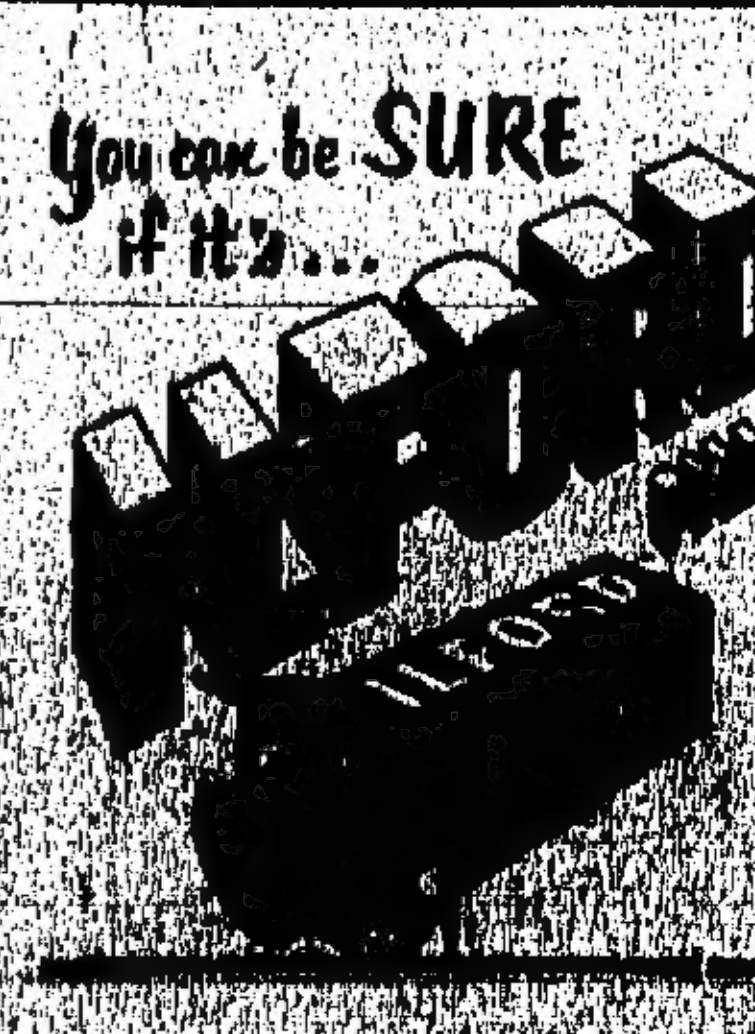
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Lucky boy, but unlucky girl

The gold coin that is annually awarded to the first baby born at Queen Mary on Christmas day this year goes to the son of Mrs Lee King-leung. Twenty-five-year old Mrs Lee lives at 18, First-street, fifth floor, Saiyungpun. It is her second baby. The boy weighed 7½ lbs at birth. At the Matilda Hospital, the gold coin awarded to the first boy born on Christmas day has not yet been claimed. A girl was born at 1 a.m. on Christmas morning, but under the stipulation of an anonymous benefactor, she does not qualify. So far no boy has been born at the Matilda since the arrival of the little girl.

Dates fixed for murder case hearing

Committal proceedings against a 26-year-old housewife, accused of the murder of a 13-year-old boy, were fixed for January 22, 23 and 24 by Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Central Magistracy this morning. Defendant Wong Yuk-ku, of an unnumbered stone hut in Wong Chuk Village, Sai Kung, N.W. Territories, is alleged to have murdered the boy, Lee Ming-tak, on December 16. A chopper and a tree branch were listed as exhibits. Acting Senior Inspector J. P. McMahon is in charge of the case.

AMERICAN COLUMNIST WRITES IN JAPANESE NEWSPAPER U.S. fee 'may be good for HK'

MAY FORCE INDUSTRY TO DIVERSIFY

Tokyo, Dec. 26.

A businessman-columnist for the Japan Times newspaper today said the proposed equalisation fee on cotton imports into the United States might be a good thing for Hongkong, by helping to force diversification of industry.

Mr Joseph Z. Reday, an American businessman with extensive interests in several Asian countries and a regular economic contributor to the Tokyo English language daily, made it clear he regarded the proposed American move as "infantile" and implied that the Japanese and Hongkong textile industries were justified in feeling that it looks like "bad faith."

"On the other hand," he added, "I cannot say that I feel too much for the Hongkong industry. There is nothing sacred about the production of cheap textiles."

Cost control

Mr Reday said the higher import pricing "may force them to rationalise their industry and pay a little attention to organisation, cost control, quality control and the productivity of labour."

"It might even lead them to look for some new and improved products. If so, it will be a good thing."

"Sooner or later, Hongkong must quit building mills to turn out cheap cotton sheeting for export to the U.S. and Britain."

"For one thing, even Hongkong is running out of cheap labour, which has been the only reason for the industry's existence. Secondly, the Hongkong cotton industry is a constant and growing irritant to markets everywhere and must expect unilateral action from those markets to reduce the irritation."

Unintelligent

He said, "The cotton industry in Hongkong is unsound and unintelligent anyway and unless it can upgrade itself to a point where it can turn out a higher quality product and use a labour force that has some talent beyond being cheap, Hongkong would in the end be just as well off without it."

"The crying need of industry in general in Hongkong and particularly the cotton textile industry, is to be diversified to a point where it can export without being noticed as it were. Its competitive impact is now far too concentrated and too irritating to its markets."

The columnist also said Hongkong should climb out of the lowest price category and into the better quality, higher priced and not quite so competitive price range for its own sake.

Gratitude

Mr Reday said Hongkong is past the economic stage of using cheap labour as its major base "and sooner or later the really cheap labour countries like India and Red China will catch up with the cotton textile trade as now operated in Hongkong."

"If a new U.S. tax can hurry Hongkong out of the business and into a sounder, more protective industrial production, Hongkong might have some reason to be grateful."—UPI.

Woman on bond for false report

A woman who told policemen that two men had searched her and had stolen \$350 from her on Saturday, was bound over in \$500 for one year by Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Central Magistracy on Christmas day for making a false report.

She was 41-year-old Ng Kam-ho, room 224 Shek Kip Mei resettlement area, ground floor, Block "L".

Insp. Gillies said that two watchmen at a new building site of the Chi Wah Construction Company in Whitty-street, near Des Voeux-road, stopped Ng, a coolie woman, from taking a number of wooden planks home.

She argued with them, and later accidentally fell to the ground and suffered slight bruises.

She then made a false report to the Police. The offence came to light when Ng's husband told the police that his wife "never had such a large sum of money in her life."

dear sir

A READER'S COMPLIMENT

How grateful we are to find your series of leading articles on general important topics which are the finest types of undertaking from your able and trained pen and which we found more truth in them as things went by.

I wish many more readers should patronise your evening paper and read it daily, because the China Mail sends out with a lot of good cheering up.

Individually and collectively, we deeply and sincerely appreciate your thoughtfulness, far-reaching foresight and vast experience as the China Mail's editorial credo today, thinking anew and acting anew with the occasion as the case may be, for the attention of the public.

A thousand thanks and a salute to you for the kind guidance and wise counsel you have given readers throughout the year. They make one's life more rewarding, more enriching and worthwhile!

Wishing you continued success, with a brighter business outlook and the Compliments of the Season.

Y. T. MEI.

dear sir

N.T.'s greetings

"On almost every publishing day of the year this column believes in speaking its mind plainly," you say. But there is a big difference between "believing" and "doing".

N. T. CHOW.

Defence to make pleas

Counsel for the defence in the case against three men charged with cheating at a game of fan tan will make their submissions of no case to answer at the Victoria District Court this afternoon.

The accused are Li Muk-fat 64, alias Li Pak-hing; Kung Tui-wan 31, alias Kung Hong-long; and Kung Hon-chuen 29.

They have pleaded not guilty to conspiring with others not in custody to cheat and defraud Li Kit-kit and Tseung Kwong-san of money by means of a trick during a game of fan tan.

The offences were alleged to have occurred between March and July.

Mr A. Zimmerman, instructed by Mr Peter Mo is representing Li Muk-fat, and Mr Lawrence Leong, instructed by Mr T. S. Tong is appearing for the other two accused.

Mr P. F. X. Leonard, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting. The trial is before Judge B. J. Jennings.

VISIT OF BRITISH INDUSTRIAL EXPERT

An expert in industrial relations, Miss E. M. Batten arrived in Hongkong on Christmas eve for a month's stay.

Miss Batten, who is Principal of the William Temple College, Rugby, England, was invited by the Bishop of Hongkong, the Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall. While here Miss Batten will meet men and women who are concerned with industry, education, welfare and social services and will take part in a two-day seminar on "Industry, society and responsibility" early next month.

GIFTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Christmas cheer brought to seamen in Colony

A clergyman and his wife played Santa Claus to seamen in two Colony hospitals over Christmas.

In the morning of Christmas Day, the Rev. J. R. Precious, Chaplain of the Sailors' Home and Missions to Seamen in Gloucester-road, and Mrs Precious, visited the Matilda and Canossa hospitals with Christmas stockings stuffed with fruits, sweets and other gifts for sick seamen and sailors.

Later in the evening a Christmas dinner for seafarers and residents was held at the Sailors' Home and at midnight sailors and seamen attended a "snacks and eats" party held in the flat of the chaplain.

At Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, family and carol services were held and after the services, church members went to the St. Christopher's Babies Home in Tai-po where they presented toys and sweets to the babies.

SERVICE

Also in Kowloon Tong, the Alliance Church held a combined English and Cantonese service in the morning when about 20 persons were baptised. During the service the combined choir, under the direction of Margaret Ling, sang carols. Christmas messages were then delivered by the Rev David Hoh and the Rev John Bechtel.

In the evening the annual Christmas party was held in the Alliance Primary School. A Christmas play, "Christmas Joy," was performed by the Senior Young People's Society.

In Kennedy Town, Western District, over 1,400 children were entertained at a party held in Our Lady of the Rosary Church hall. The Rev. Fr Joseph Madoere, presented toys and clothing to needy children on behalf of the church and parishioners.

GIFTS

In Chuk Yuen, Kowloon City, the St. Pius X Church held a similar party for more than 300 children of the Chuk Yuen Resettlement.

At the party, children received gifts of sweets, toys, fruits and clothing after the performance of the play, "Coming of the Three Kings." At St. Rose of Lima School, Boundary-street, the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary sisters gave a party for 170 children from the squatter areas in Boundary-street.

Joy ride soldier fined \$60

Colin McIntyre, 20, of the First Battalion, Royal Northumberland Fusiliers, Stanley Fort, was fined \$60 when he admitted driving a private car without a valid licence, without owner's consent and without third party insurance.

The defendant was found driving a private car along Hommesy-road at 4.12 a.m. on Boxing Day.

He told Mr P. Stafford at Causeway Bay Magistracy this morning that he held a military driving licence.

He was allowed three days to pay the fine.

BACK FROM HOLIDAY

Seven members of the local staff of the Swissair and Scandinavian Airlines System returned to the Colony from Japan yesterday after spending three days in Tokyo.



Shown (left to right) are Mr Alfred Tsang, Dr Edward F. Szczepanik, Mr J. Ph. Andel, and Dr Szczepanik's two children, Tommy and Sofia.

Says he may come back

Szczepanik leaves for Karachi Post

Dr Edward F. Szczepanik, senior lecturer in economics at the University of Hongkong for the past eight years, left the Colony yesterday by Swissair for Karachi to take up a post with the Pakistan Government.

Dr Szczepanik recently accepted the post of Economic Adviser to the Pakistan Government for an initial two-year term.

"If the opportunity presents itself I may come back to Hongkong, or if I like Pakistan, I may sign another contract," he said yesterday, shortly before leaving with his son Tommy and daughter Sofia.

SEEN OFF

Mrs Szczepanik had already left for Karachi.

Dr Szczepanik was seen off at the airport by many friends and students from the University, including Mr J. Ph. Andel.

Secretary of the Hongkong Economic Association, and Mr Alfred Tsang, Chairman of the University of Hongkong Economic Association.

WALLET STOLEN

A 14-year-old student was alleged before Mr J. T. Williams at Causeway Bay Juvenile Court on Monday to have stolen a wallet containing \$1.30 from a girl in the Hongkong Products Exhibition last Saturday.

No plea was taken. He was remanded until today.

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HONGKONG'S 3,000 million gallon Jubilee Reservoir will be officially opened by His Excellency the Governor on Saturday, January 30. This will be one of the last important ceremonies to be undertaken by Sir Andrew Caldecott before his departure for Home in April.

★ ★

A local exchange broker, Mr Alfred Edward Des Voeux, has succeeded to a baronetcy following the death of his cousin, Sir Frederick Des Voeux, the seventh baronet. Sir Alfred, who has an office in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, has spent 21 years in the Colony and is extremely well-known in local financial circles.

The Des Voeux family has had a long association with Hongkong, commencing when Sir George William Des Voeux came to the Colony as Governor in 1887. After him Des Voeux Road was named. The Des Voeux family is an ancient Irish one of French descent.

★ ★ ★

OVER 300,000 are homeless in the Mississippi and Ohio valleys as a result of the greatest floods in America's history which surpass even the levels of the deluge in 1884. Millions of dollars worth of damage has been done already and the rivers continue to rise.

Cincinnati is practically isolated, only one road from the town remaining open. There, the water has reached an all-time peak of 72 feet 5 inches, over 20 feet above flood stage.

Police in the flooded area have been ordered to shoot looters on sight; while in Aurora, Indiana, martial law has been enforced. Meanwhile, relief funds have been opened, and men, money and supplies are being rushed to the inundated area.

3 boys charged

Three boys, two aged 14 and one 13, were charged before Mr J. T. Williams at Causeway Bay Juvenile Court on Monday with robbery with offensive weapon.

The boys, two of whom were students, were alleged to have robbed a boy of a wrist watch valued at \$30, on the hillside off Robinson-road last Saturday when armed with a knife.

They were remanded until today. No plea was taken.

Tea party

The Pakistan Association of Hongkong held a tea party at the Happy Valley Mosque School yesterday to celebrate the occasion of Quaid-i-Azam's birthday. Many members of the Association and the Pakistani community here attended.



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